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**SNOW SURVEY and WATER SUPPLY FORECASTS  
for  
OREGON**

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT of AGRICULTURE--SOIL CONSERVATION SERVICE  
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OREGON AGRICULTURAL EXPERIMENT STATION  
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## To Recipients of Cooperative Snow Survey and Water Supply Forecast Reports:

The climate of the cultivated and populated areas of the West is characterized by relatively dry summer months. Such precipitation as occurs falls mostly in the winter and early spring months when it is of little immediate benefit to growing crops. Fortunately, most of this precipitation falls as mountain snow which stays on the ground for months, melting later to sustain streamflow during the period of greatest demand during late spring and summer. Thus, nature provides in mountain snow an imposing water storage facility.

The amount of water stored in mountain snow varies from place to place as well as from year to year and accordingly, so does the runoff of the streams. The best seasonal management of variable western water supplies results from fore-knowledge of the runoff.

A snow survey consists of a series of about ten samples taken with specially designed snow sampling equipment along a permanently marked line, about 1000 feet in length, called a snow course. The use of snow sampling equipment provides snow depth and water equivalent values for each sampling point. The average of these values is reported as the snow survey measurement for a snow course.

Snow surveys are made monthly or semi-monthly beginning in January or February and continue through the snow season until April, May or June. Currently more than 1400 western snow courses are measured each year. These measurements furnish the key data for water supply forecasts.

By relating snow survey measurements taken over a period of years to spring-summer runoff during the same period, relationships have been developed which make it possible to forecast seasonal runoff several months in advance of occurrence. In order to make a forecast, once a forecast relationship has been developed, the maximum snow water content at previously selected key snow courses is usually entered in the forecast relationship. More accurate forecasts are often obtained when other factors such as soil moisture, base flow and spring precipitation are considered and included in the forecast relationships.

Listed below are the Federal-State-Private Cooperative Snow Survey and Water Supply Forecast reports available for the West which contain detailed information on snow survey measurements, streamflow forecasts, reservoir storage, soil moisture and other guide data to water management and conservation decisions.

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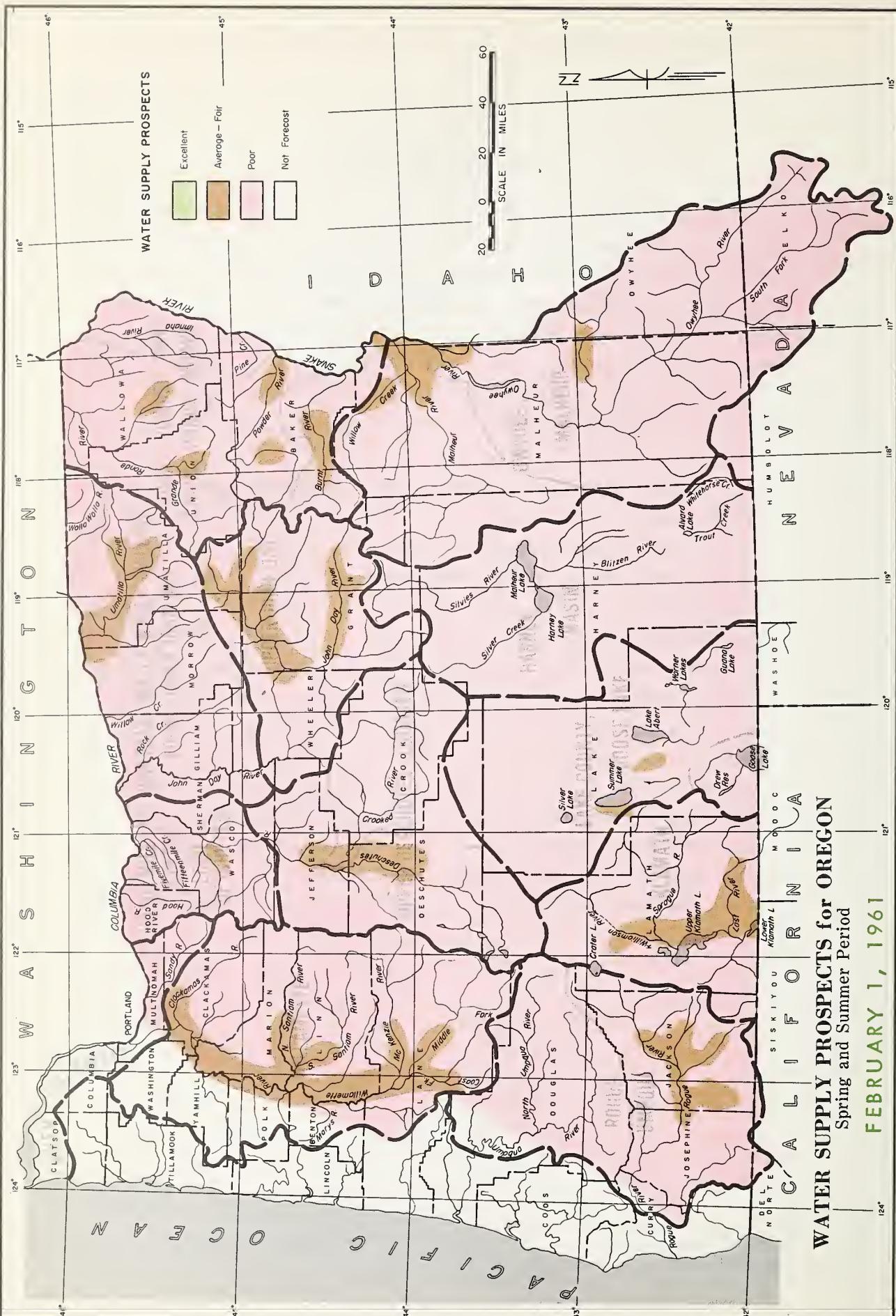


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# WATER SUPPLY OUTLOOK for OREGON

FEBRUARY 1, 1961

Oregon's 1961 water supply outlook for the spring and summer months has not improved during the last month and now ranges from only "fair" to "very poor". Reservoir storage is less than last year and only about two-thirds of average. Watershed soils under the snowpack are fairly well wetted but only at higher elevations. Streamflow forecasts range from 23 percent on the Owyhee to 87 percent of average on the Lostine River in the Wallowas.

## SNOW COVER:

Water content of the mountain snowpack in Oregon is extremely low this year and now averages only 46 percent of the 1943-57 February 1 average. The Willamette watershed has the poorest snow cover and is only 27 percent of average.

Usually about two-thirds of the winter's total snowpack is on the ground by February 1. This year, only 30 percent of a normal year's total was accounted for in recent snow surveys. Future storms will have to deposit double the normal amounts of snow to make up this deficit.

## RESERVOIR STORAGE:

Stored water in twenty important irrigation reservoirs over the state averages about the same as last year but is still only 65 percent of the 1943-57 comparison period.

## PRECIPITATION:

January precipitation <sup>1</sup> in Oregon varied from about 1 percent of normal at John Day to 78 percent at Eugene. Precipitation over most of the state east of the Cascade Mountains was only 50 percent of average or less, while west of the Cascades, most stations were in the 70 percent class during January. Precipitation since October 1st has averaged 75 percent at 15 selected stations scattered over the state.

## STREAMFLOW:

The streamflow outlook for the coming irrigation season (April through September) is poorer than at this time last year in most areas of the state. Forecasts vary from 23 percent on the Owyhee to 87 percent on the Lostine in the Wallowas. Most critical situations are the streams flowing into Ochoco, Drew and Owyhee Reservoirs and for Silvies River - predictions for these are below 40 percent of average.

Streamflow <sup>2</sup> has been below normal since October 1 and ranges from 51 percent of average on the Umpqua to 88 percent on the Deschutes.

January streamflow varied from 96 percent on the Hood River to 24 percent on the Umpqua.

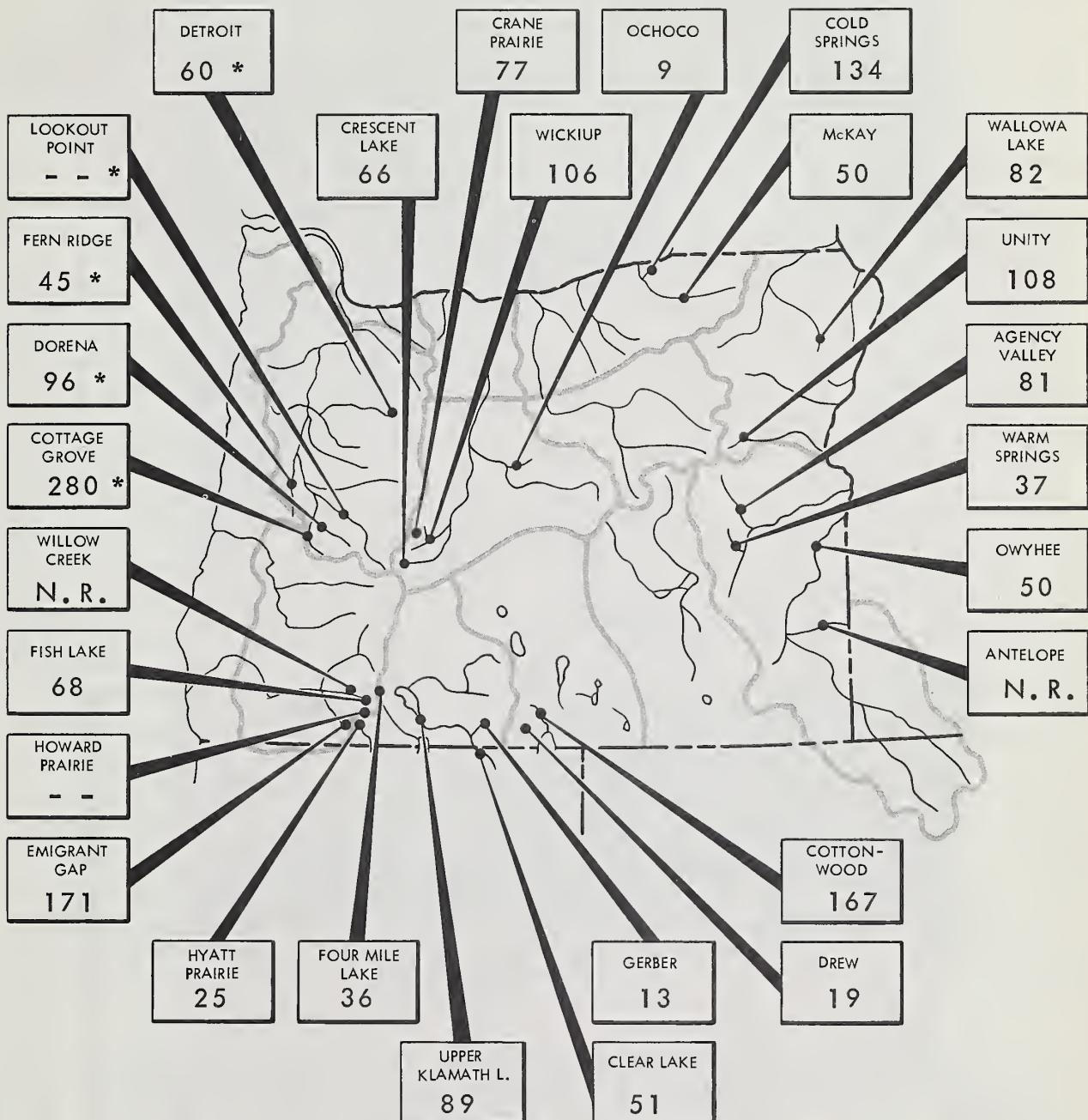
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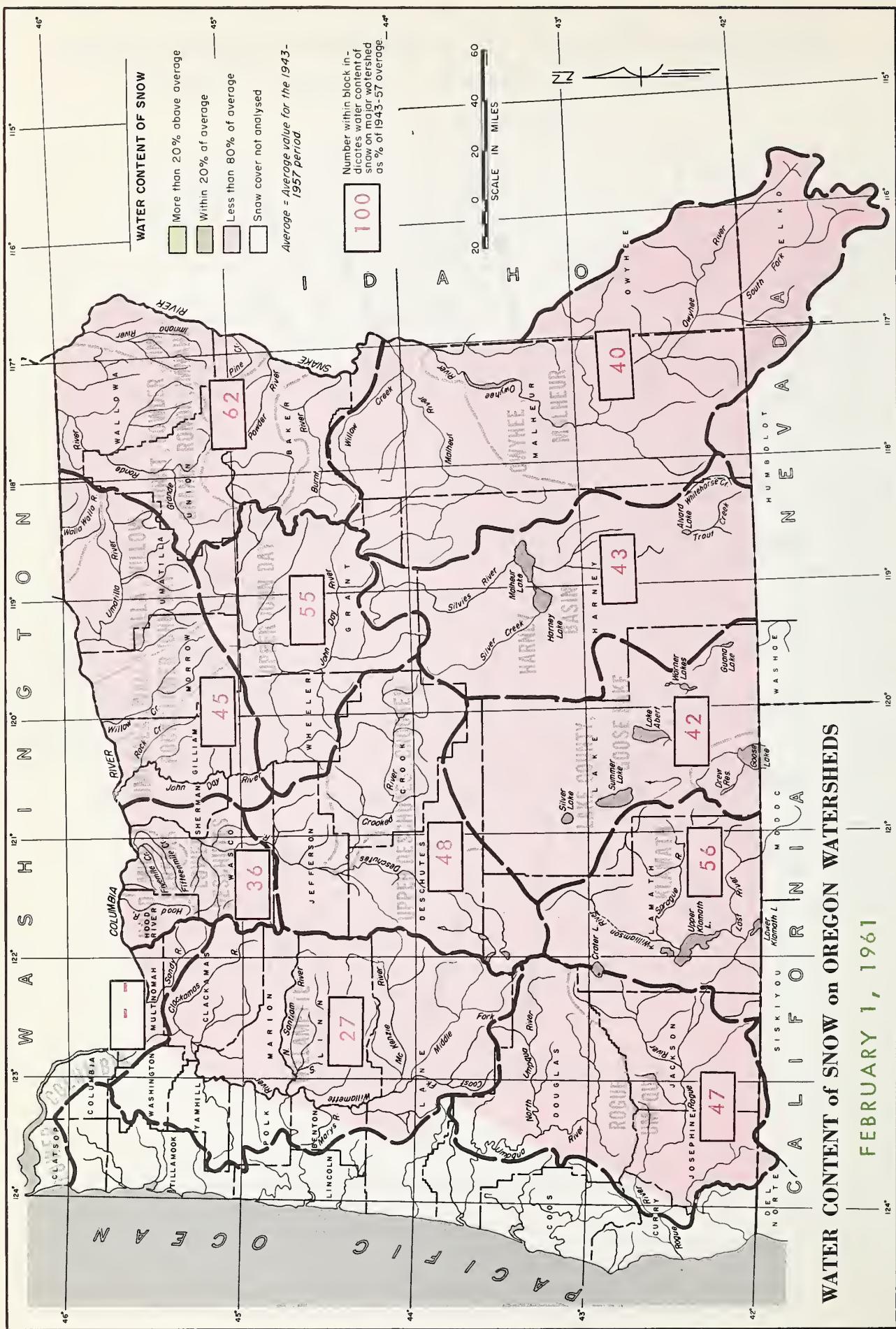


# STORAGE STATUS of OREGON RESERVOIRS as percent of 1943-57, 15 year average

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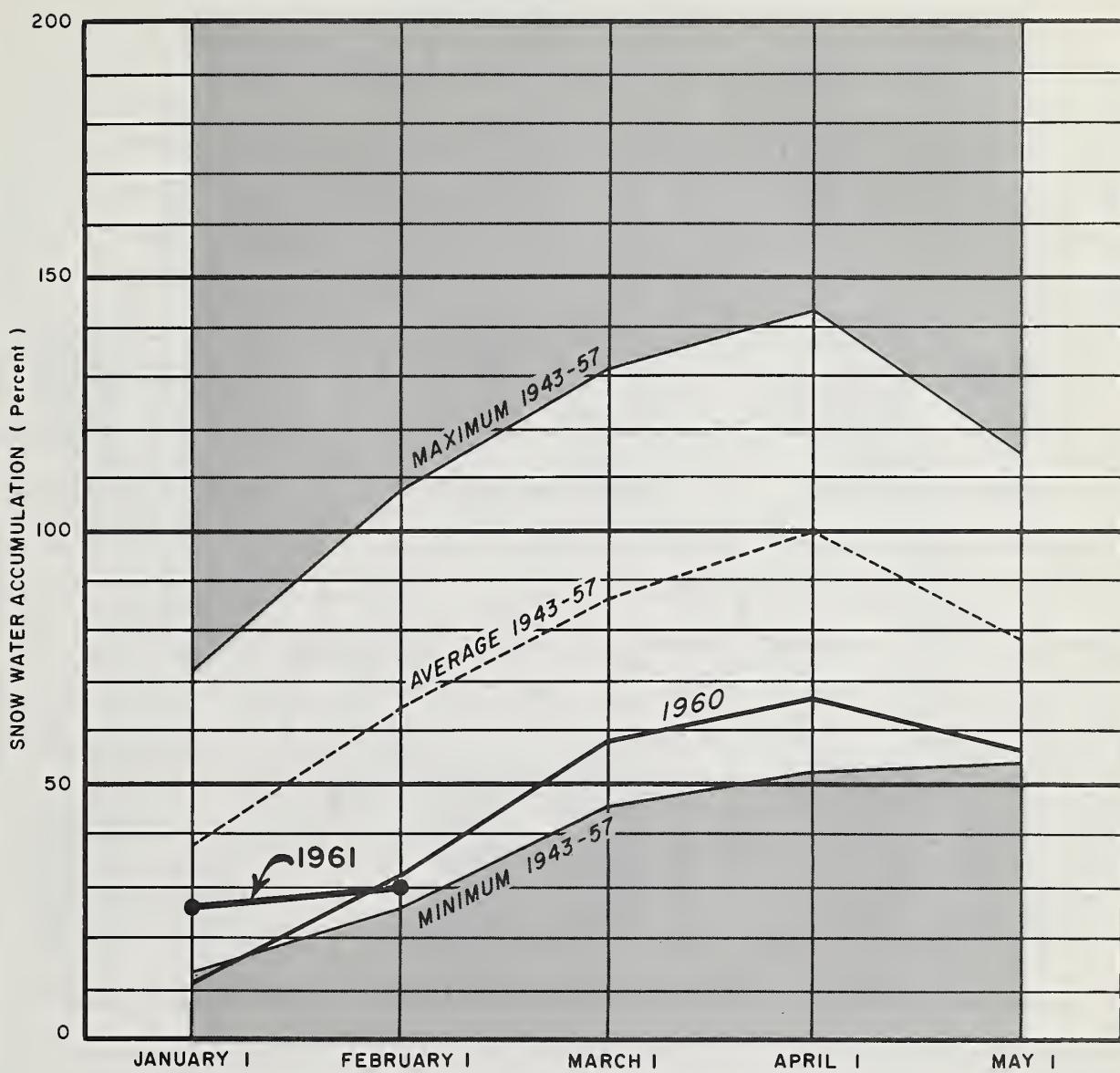


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# SNOW WATER ACCUMULATION in OREGON

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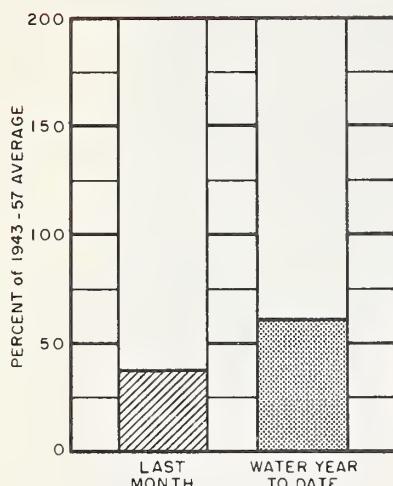


In an average winter about two-thirds of the mountain snowpack will be "on the ground" by February 1st. The snow accumulation this year, state-wide, is only 30 percent of a normal winter "snow crop".

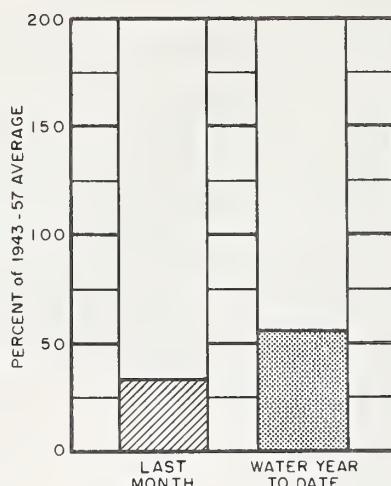
Future winter storms will have to "deposit" double the normal amount of snow in Oregon's "snow bank reservoir" to offset the present 35 percent "deficit" in the snow water accumulation account.

# CURRENT OREGON STREAMFLOW

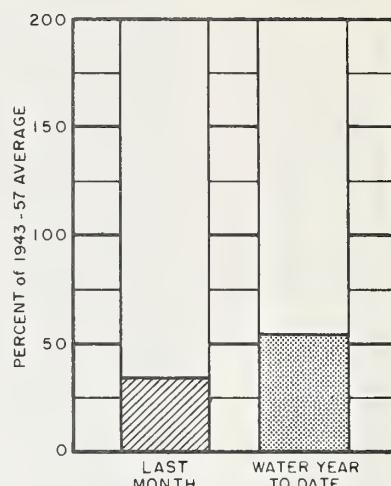
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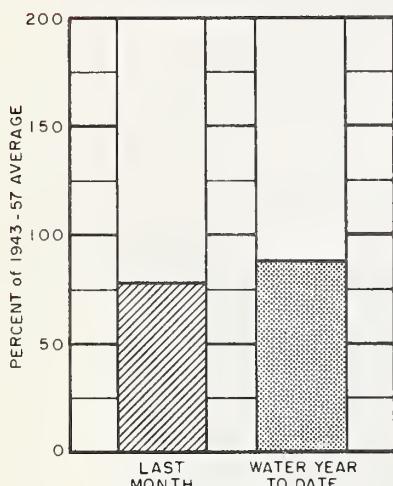
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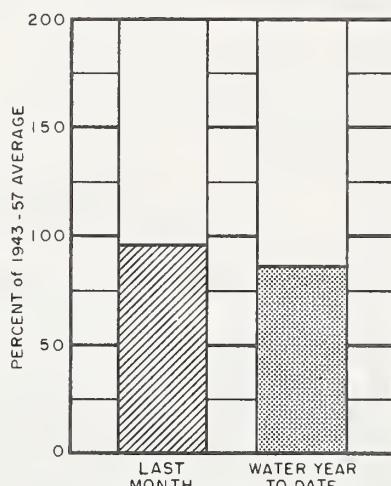
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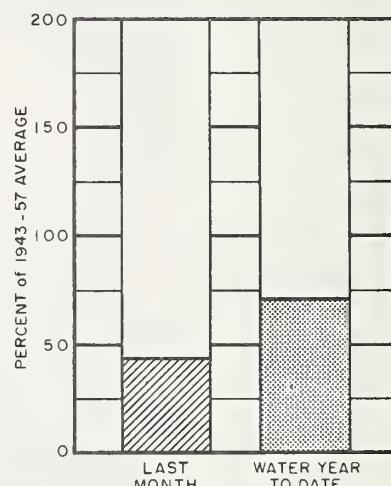
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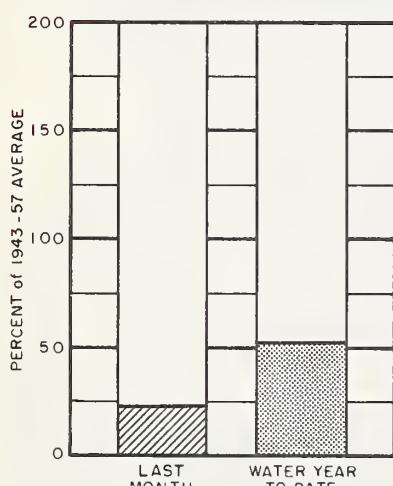
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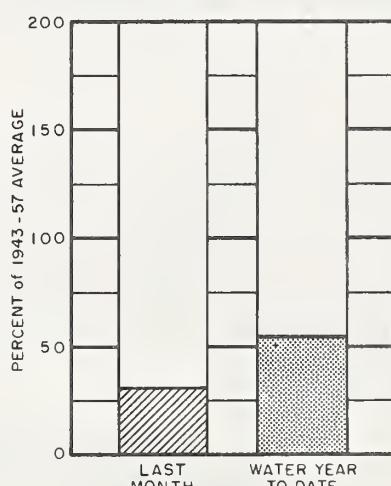
Hood and conduit near Hood River



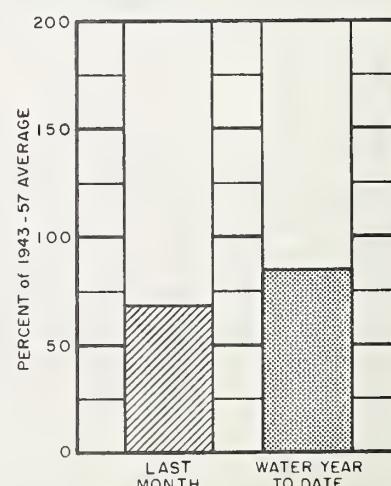
Mid. Fk. Willamette below No. Fk.



Umpqua near Elkton



Rogue at Raygold



Upper Klamath Lake net inflow

# VALLEY PRECIPITATION in OREGON<sup>a</sup>

FEBRUARY 1, 1961



PRECIPITATION as PERCENT of the 1943-57 AVERAGE

STATION	LAST MONTH	WATER YEAR TO DATE <sup>b</sup>	STATION	LAST MONTH	WATER YEAR TO DATE <sup>b</sup>
BAKER KBKR	Report	delayed	LAKEVIEW	42	80
BEND	11	71	MEDFORD APT.	33	65
BURNS	46	68	NYSSA	52	78
ENTERPRISE	39	68	PENDLETON APT.	32	68
EUGENE APT.	78	90	PORTLAND APT.	76	83
HEPPNER	53	75	ROSEBURG APT.	37	70
JOHN DAY	1	71	SALEM APT.	70	82
KLAMATH FALLS APT.	28	73	THE DALLES	58	83

(a) Preliminary data furnished by the U.S. Weather Bureau. (b) Oct. 1 to date. (c) Report delayed.

# MOUNTAIN SOIL MOISTURE in OREGON as percent of available capacity

FEBRUARY 1, 1961



● Soil Moisture Station

\*Moisture studies not yet developed in these areas.

# WATER SUPPLY OUTLOOK OWYHEE, MALHEUR WATERSHEDS OREGON

*as of*  
**FEBRUARY 1, 1961**

**U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE SOIL CONSERVATION SERVICE OREGON AGRICULTURAL EXPERIMENT STATION and OREGON STATE ENGINEER**

**GENERAL OUTLOOK** - The water supply outlook for 1961 irrigation in Malheur County has not improved and has changed for the worse since the prediction of "improved but skimpy" supplies was made one month ago. Lack of normal carry-over storage water in local reservoirs has a further dimming effect on the outlook.

**SNOW COVER** - Water content of the mountain snowpack is exceptionally low - 40 percent of the average amount (15 years 1943-57) usually present on the upper watersheds by this date, but only two-thirds as much as measured a year ago.

This year's snow cover is only slightly better than the extremely "short" snowpack measured at this date in 1959 and 1944. With a "deficit" this large, it is highly unlikely that remaining winter storms will deposit enough moisture to "balance the budget in the snow bank."

**SOIL-MOISTURE** - The soil-mantle of Malheur County watersheds received a good wetting from heavy rains in November and some small amounts of moisture have since been added by recent storms. However, the total moisture in the soil profile (top 3 or 4 feet) is only slightly wetter than a year ago and is concentrated in the upper two feet. Soil-moisture averages 67 percent of capacity at the nine stations measured - last year it averaged 63 percent.

**RESERVOIR STORAGE** - Total water stored in Agency Valley and Warmsprings Reservoirs on Malheur River is 83 percent of last year at this date and 46 percent of the 1943-57 average. This makes 42,000 acre feet of stored water available to the two irrigation districts.

Storage in Owyhee Reservoir is up to 209,650 acre feet. This is 14,000 acre feet less than last year and only 50 percent of the average.

**STREAMFLOW** - Flow of the Owyhee River has averaged only 60 percent of normal since October 1st and other streams in Malheur County have been similarly below normal in flow.

Streamflow forecasts for the April-September period are much below average. Flow of the Owyhee is predicted to be about 23 percent of the average (1943-57) - a flow only slightly greater than that received in 1959 and 1954.

Forecasts of flow on the Malheur River for the irrigation season have been set at 56 percent average for the main river above Warmsprings Reservoir and 62 percent average for the North Fork.

## WATER SUPPLY OUTLOOK expressed as "Poor", "Fair", "Average" or "Excellent"

STREAM or AREA	FLOW PERIOD	
	SPRING SEASON	LATE SEASON
Boulder Creek	Fair	Poor
Bully Creek	Fair	Poor
Cow Creek	Fair	Poor
Jordan Creek	Fair	Poor
Jordan Valley Irrig. Dist.	Fair	Fair
McDermitt Creek	Fair	Poor
Oregon Canyon Creek	Fair	Poor
Owyhee Project	Fair	Fair
Sucker Creek	Fair	Poor
Ten Mile Creek	Poor	Poor
Vale, Oregon Irrig. Dist.	Fair	Fair
Warmsprings Irrig. Dist.	Fair	Fair
Willow Creek	Fair	Fair

## RESERVOIR STORAGE (1,000 Ac. Ft.)

RESERVOIR	USABLE CAPACITY	MEASURED (First of Month)		
		THIS YEAR	LAST YEAR	1943-57 AVERAGE
Agency Valley	60.0	18.7	19.7	27.3
Antelope	55.0	f	2.1	5.0
Owyhee	715.0	209.6	223.8	416.6
Warmsprings	191.0	23.7	31.6	64.8

## STREAMFLOW FORECASTS<sup>a</sup> (1,000 Ac. Ft.)

NO.	NAME	FORECAST POINT		FORECAST THIS YEAR	FORECAST PERIOD	1943-57 AVERAGE	THIS YEAR AS PERCENT OF AVERAGE <sup>b</sup>
		NO.	NAME				
2140	Malheur near Drewsey			45	April-Sept.	81	56
2175	Malheur, North Fork at Beulah <sup>d</sup>			40	April-Sept.	64	62
1825	Owyhee Reservoir net Inflow <sup>g</sup>			100	April-Sept.	430	23
				c	April-July	412	
				160	March-July	524	31

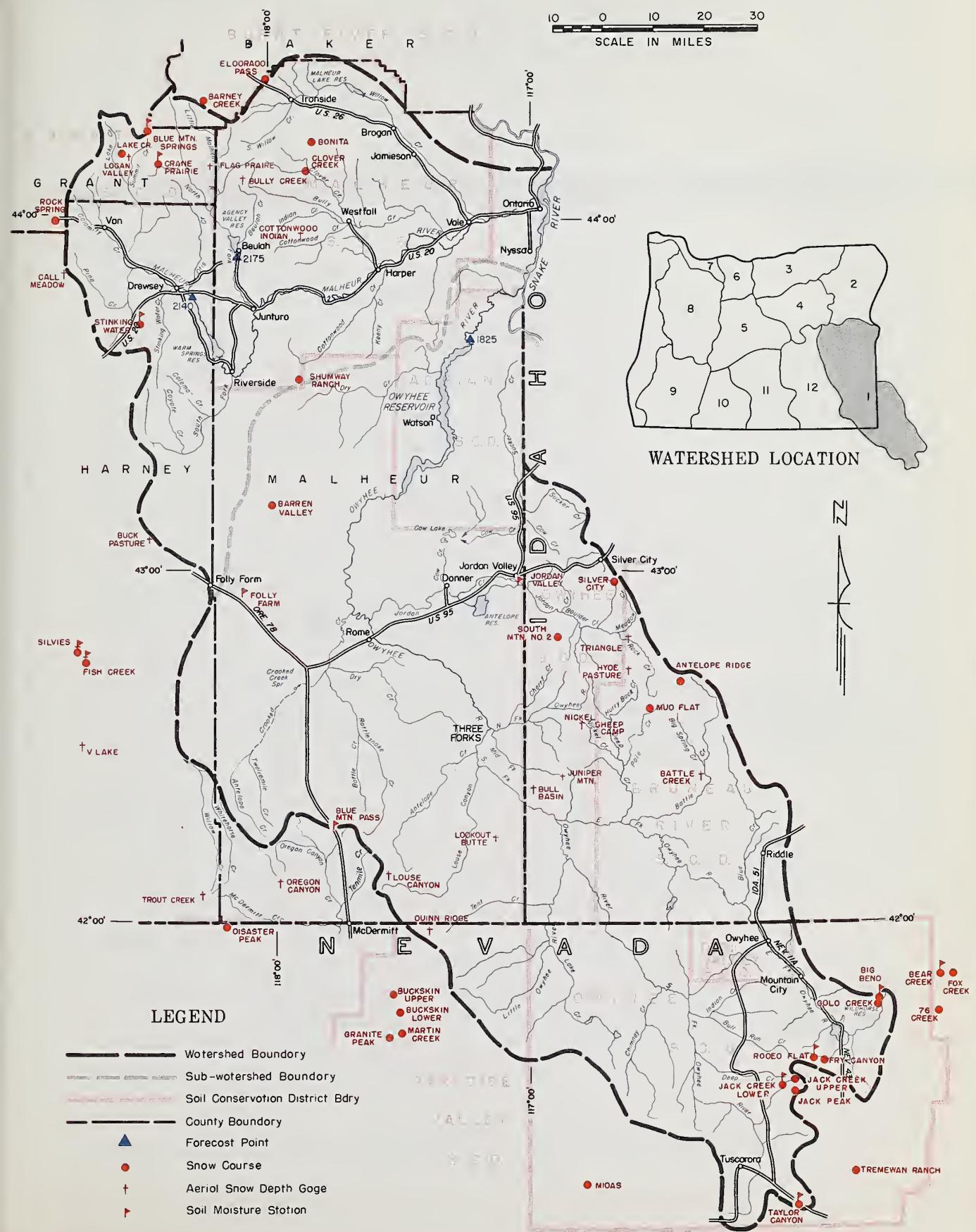
## AVAILABLE SOIL MOISTURE

STATION	PROFILE (Inches)		SOIL MOISTURE (Inches)			
	NAME	ELEVATION	DEPTH	AVAILABLE CAPACITY	DATE	THIS YEAR
Bear Creek (Nev.)	7800	48	5.6	c	1-31-61	7.4
Big Bend (Nev.)	6700	48	9.6		1-26-61	2.8
Blue Mountain Springs	5900	42	12.0		12-15-60	5.5 <sup>i</sup>
Folly Farm	4450	36	8.3		1-30-61	5.3 <sup>i</sup>
Jack Creek, Lower (Nev.)	6800	48	4.9		12-15-60	4.5
Jordan Valley	4250	48	9.8		12-15-60	4.7
Rodeo Flat (Nev.)	6800	42	6.0		1-31-61	6.0
Stinking Water Summit	4800	48	11.7		12-15-60	11.0 <sup>i</sup>
Taylor Canyon (Nev.)	6200	48	9.7		2-2-61	6.1

(a) Assuming normal meteorological conditions. (b) 1943-57, 15 year period. (c) Not scheduled. (d) Corrected to natural flow. (e) Aerial snow depth gage; water content estimated. (f) Report delayed. (g) USBR records of inflow. (h) Not surveyed. (i) Nearest current data.

# OWYHEE, MALHEUR WATERSHEDS

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SCALE IN MILES



WATERSHED LOCATION

Owyhee, Malheur Watersheds

SNOW

SNOW COURSE		DATE OF SURVEY	SNOW DEPTH (Inches)	WATER CONTENT (Inches)	CURRENT INFORMATION			PAST RECORD		
NAME	ELEVATION				LAST YEAR	1943-57 AVERAGE	YEARS IN AVERAGE <sup>b</sup>			
Antelope Ridge	5900	1/30	6	1.6	3.2	--	0			
Barney Creek	5950	c								
Battle Creek <sup>e</sup>	5700	Report	delayed							
Bear Creek	7800	2/1	24	6.6	7.5	--	3			
Big Bend	6700	1/31	15	3.0	3.8	8.4	10			
Blue Mountain Spring	5900	1/26	23	6.6	6.9	11.0	14			
Buckskin, Lower	6700	c								
Buckskin, Upper	7200	c								
Bull Basin <sup>e</sup>	5600	Report	delayed							
Bully Creek <sup>e</sup>	5300	Report	delayed							
Call Meadows <sup>e</sup>	5340	Report	delayed							
Clover Creek	4100	h								
Cottonwood-Indian <sup>e</sup>	4320	Report	delayed							
Crane Prairie	5375	c								
Disaster Peak	6500	1/25	24	7.3	--	--	0			
Eldorado Pass	4600	1/27	0	0.0	2.9	--	2			
Fish Creek <sup>e</sup>	7900	1/25	30	8.4	8.3	--	0			
Flag Prairie <sup>e</sup>	4750	Report	delayed							
Fox Creek	6800	c								
Fry Canyon	6700	1/31	12	3.2	4.2	6.6	8			
Gold Creek	6600	1/31	8	1.6	3.1	4.8	9			
Granite Peak	7800	1/26	12	3.6	5.8	--	2			
Hyde Pasture <sup>e</sup>	5800	Report	delayed							
Jack Creek, Lower	6800	1/30	4	1.0	3.1	--	2			
Jack Creek, Upper	7250	1/30	12	3.0	5.8	--	2			
Jack Peak	8420	1/30	37	14.2	--	--	0			
Juniper Mountain <sup>e</sup> (Red Canyon)	6500	Report	delayed							
Lake Creek	5120	1/27	16	3.2	6.7	--	2			
Logan Valley <sup>e</sup>	5100	Report	delayed							
Lookout Butte <sup>e</sup>	5650	Report	delayed							
Louse Canyon <sup>e</sup>	6440	Report	delayed							
Martin Creek	6700	1/26	16	4.2	4.9	--	2			
Midas	7200	c								
Mud Flat	5500	1/30	12	3.0	2.6	--	0			
Oregon Canyon <sup>e</sup>	6950	Report	delayed							
Quinn Ridge <sup>e</sup>	6300	Report	delayed							
Riddle Creek <sup>e</sup> (Buck Pasture)	5700	Report	delayed							
Rock Spring	5100	1/27	8	1.2	3.7	4.7	15			
Rodeo Flat	6800	1/31	10	2.7	4.0	6.1	8			
Silver City	6400	1/29	18	4.5	8.4	11.8	7			
Silvies <sup>e</sup>	6900	1/25	11	3.1	6.0	--	0			
South Mountain No. 2	6340	1/28	14	3.5	5.1	8.8	15			
Stinking Water	4800	1/27	T	T	3.7	3.5	14			
Taylor Canyon	6200	2/2	5	1.0	3.9	--	2			
Tremewan Ranch	5700	1/31	T	T	1.8	--	3			
Triangle <sup>e</sup>	5150	Report	delayed							
Trout Creek <sup>e</sup>	7800	Report	delayed							
76 Creek	7100	1/27	20	4.8	4.0	--	3			
"V" Lake <sup>e</sup>	6600	1/24	12	3.4	2.3	--	0			

# WATER SUPPLY OUTLOOK BURNT, POWDER, PINE, GRANDE RONDE, IMNAHA WATERSHEDS OREGON

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U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE SOIL CONSERVATION SERVICE, OREGON AGRICULTURAL EXPERIMENT STATION and OREGON STATE ENGINEER

## GENERAL OUTLOOK

The 1961 irrigation water supply outlook for northeastern Oregon is very similar to that of last year but poorer than one month ago.

The outlook for Catherine Creek, the Wallowa, and Imnaha Rivers and tributaries is expected to be between 84 and 87 percent of average. On the Grande Ronde, Powder and Burnt Rivers, the outlook is for flows in the 60 and 70 percent range. Snow cover has fallen farther below the average during January while raising soil moisture on higher watersheds only slightly.

## SNOW COVER

Snow cover in this area is only 62 percent of the 1943-57 average although about one-fourth better than last year at this time.

By February 1 the snowpack has usually reached about the two-thirds point of total snow accumulation. This year current snow surveys indicate that only the 40 percent level was reached on February 1. This is 6 percent better than last year at this time but still 26 percent below the average.

## SOIL-MOISTURE

Soil moisture was increased slightly at higher elevations during January by warmer than normal temperatures causing snow melt on the watersheds. This condition is not true of the lower valleys and more exposed areas since very little precipitation fell during January and these areas had little if any snow to melt and penetrate the soil surface.

## RESERVOIR STORAGE

Storage in Unity Reservoir is a little better than the 1943-57 average for February 1, and is now 153 percent of last year at this time with 7,800 acre feet in storage. Wallowa Lake has 13,100 acre feet in storage for 82 percent of average and a little less than half as much as last year on February 1.

## STREAMFLOW

Streamflow forecasts vary from 87 percent of average in the Wallowas, to 63 percent on the Grande Ronde. Wallowa Mountain streams are expected to flow nearer average than the other streams in this area. Streamflow forecasts for the Grande Ronde, Powder, and Burnt Rivers are 63, 79 and 78 percent of average respectively for the April-September period.

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**WATER SUPPLY OUTLOOK** expressed as "Poor", "Fair", "Average" or "Excellent"

STREAM or AREA	FLOW PERIOD	
	SPRING SEASON	LATE SEASON
Alder Slope	Fair	Fair
Baker Valley	Fair	Fair
Big Creek	Fair	Poor
Clover Creek (near North Powder)	Fair	Poor
Cove	Fair	Fair
Durkee	Fair	Poor
Eagle Valley	Fair	Fair
Elgin	Fair	Poor
Enterprise - Joseph	Average	Fair
Hereford - Bridgeport	Average	Fair
Imnaha River	Average	Fair
LaGrande - Island City	Fair	Poor
Lostine - Wallowa	Average	Fair
North Powder River - Wolf Creek	Fair	Poor
Pine Valley	Fair	Fair
Powder River- Elk Creek	Fair	Poor
Summerville	Fair	Poor
Sumpter Valley	Fair	Poor
Union - Hot Lake	Average	Fair
Unity	Fair	Fair

**RESERVOIR STORAGE (1,000 Ac. Ft.)**

RESERVOIR	USABLE CAPACITY	MEASURED (First of Month)		
		THIS YEAR	LAST YEAR	1943-57 AVERAGE
Unity	25.2	7.8	5.1	7.2
Wallowa Lake	37.5	13.1	28.4	15.9

**STREAMFLOW FORECASTS<sup>a</sup> (1,000 Ac. Ft.)**

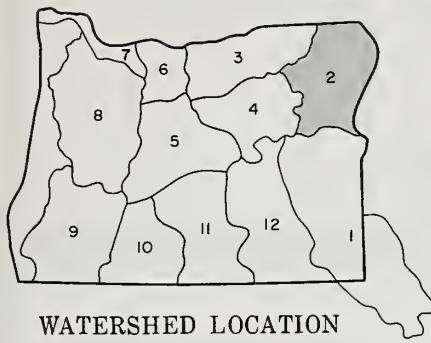
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		NO.	NAME				
3305	Bear near Wallowa			64	April-Sept.	74	86
2730	Burnt near Hereford <sup>d</sup>			35	April-Sept.	45	78
3200	Catherine near Union			61	April-Sept.	73	84
3190	Grande Ronde at LaGrande			128	April-Sept.	202	63
3295	Hurricane near Joseph			41	April-Sept.	49	84
2920	Imnaha at Imnaha			265	April-Sept.	314	84
3300	Lostine near Lostine			116	April-Sept.	133	87
2755	Powder near Baker			52	April-Sept.	66	79
				50	April-July	65	77
3250	Wallowa East Fork near Joseph <sup>d</sup>			10.2	April-Sept.	12.1	84
				8.2	April-July	9.7	85

**AVAILABLE SOIL MOISTURE**

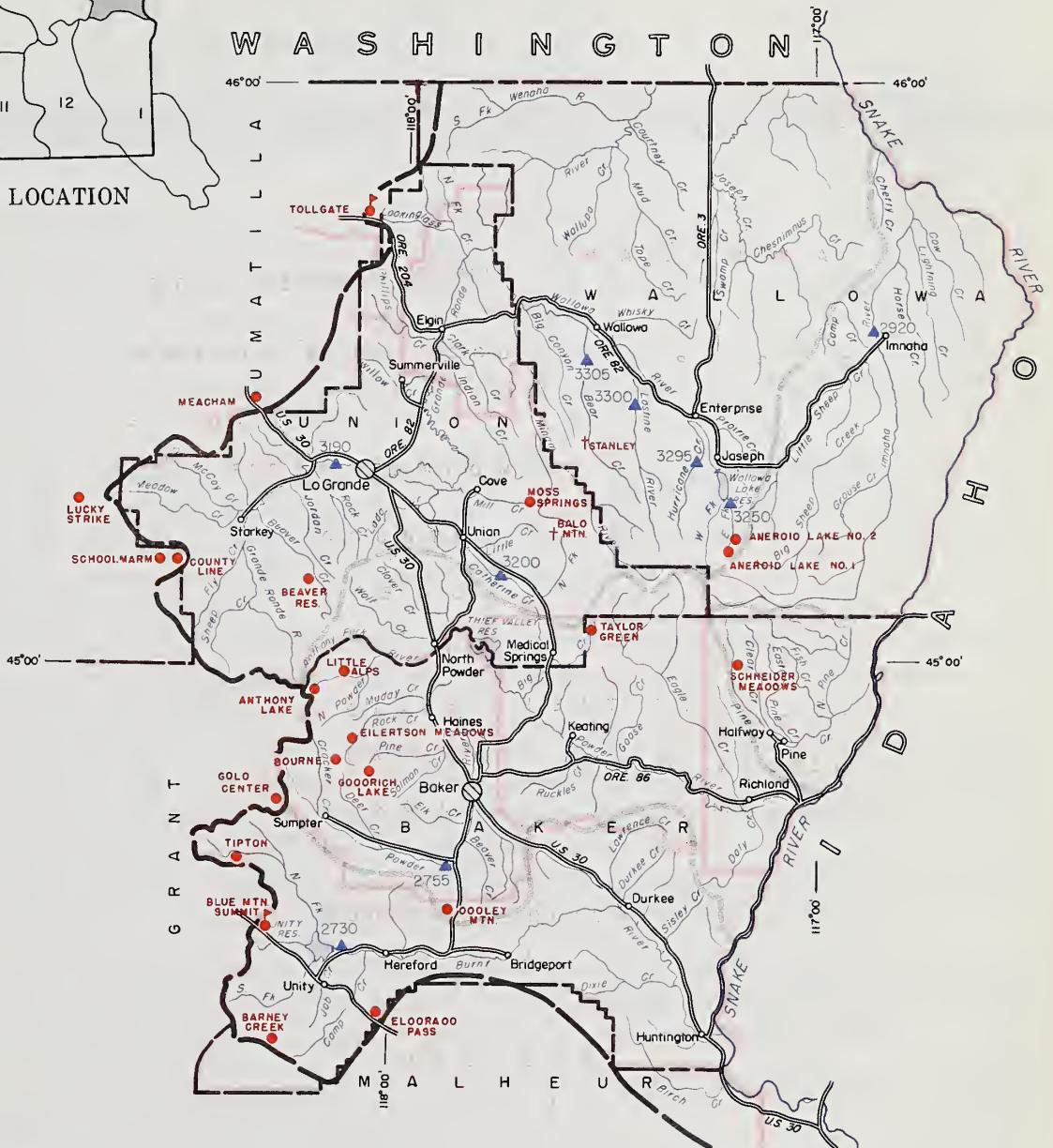
STATION	PROFILE (Inches)		SOIL MOISTURE (Inches)			
	DEPTH	AVAILABLE CAPACITY	DATE	THIS YEAR	LAST YEAR	2 YEARS AGO
NAME	ELEVATION					
Blue Mountain Summit	5100	36	10.4	1-25-61	3.2	2.3 <sup>i</sup>
Emigrant Springs	3925	48	15.0	1-26-61	12.6	14.4 <sup>i</sup>
Tollgate	5070	48	17.8	1-26-61	15.6	16.4
						17.2 <sup>i</sup>

(a) Assuming normal meteorological conditions. (b) 1943-57, 15 year period. (c) Not scheduled. (d) Corrected to natural flow. (e) Aerial snow depth gage; water content estimated. (f) Report delayed. (g) Water content partly estimated. (h) Not surveyed. (i) Nearest current data.

# BURNT, POWDER, PINE, GRANDE RONDE, IMNAHA WATERSHEDS



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## LEGEND

- Watershed Boundary
- Sub-watershed Boundary
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- County Boundary
- ▲ Forecast Point
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- Soil Moisture Station
- † Aerial Snow Depth Gage

Burnt, Powder, Pine, Grande Ronde, Imnaha Watersheds

**SNOW**

SNOW COURSE		CURRENT INFORMATION			PAST RECORD		
		DATE OF SURVEY	SNOW DEPTH (Inches)	WATER CONTENT (Inches)	WATER CONTENT (Inches)	YEARS IN AVERAGE <sup>b</sup>	
NAME	ELEVATION				LAST YEAR		
Aneroid Lake No. 1	7480	1/28	50	19.2	10.6	24.4	15
Aneroid Lake No. 2	7000	1/27	40	13.6	7.9	19.2	15
Anthony Lake	7125	1/24	40	12.2	8.4	21.1	13
Bald Mountain <sup>e</sup> (Oregon)	6700	2/1	50	18.0	12.3	- -	0
Barney Creek	5950	c					
Beaver Reservoir	5340	1/30	20	5.8	4.0	8.0	15
Blue Mountain Summit	5098	1/27	17	4.0	3.4	6.9	15
Bourne	5800	1/26	28	7.4	6.9	11.5	11
County Line	4800	1/31	10	2.9	2.9	4.6	7
Dooley Mountain	5430	1/27	15	3.4	4.5	6.6	15
Eilertson Meadows	5400	1/25	20	4.6	3.7	9.0	13
Eldorado Pass	4600	1/27	0	0.0	2.9	- -	2
Gold Center	5340	1/28	22	5.9	5.4	9.2	14
Goodrich Lake	6775	c					
Little Alps	6200	1/24	22	6.4	3.7	- -	0
Lucky Strike	5050	1/25	24	4.9	6.3	9.0	14
Meacham	4300	1/26	10	2.8	5.0	7.1	15
Moss Spring	5850	1/25	28	9.2	9.8	17.1	15
Schneider Meadows	5400	1/25	47	15.3	11.6	21.6	15
Schoolmarm	4775	1/31	8	2.7	2.8	4.0	7
Standley <sup>e</sup>	7400	1/23	46	17.5	- -	- -	0
Summit Springs	6000	c					
Taylor Green	5740	c					
Tipton	5100	1/27	22	5.2	3.9	8.2	12
Tollgate	5070	1/26	28	8.8	8.0	19.2	15

# WATER SUPPLY OUTLOOK

## UMATILLA, WALLA WALLA, WILLOW, ROCK, LOWER JOHN DAY WATERSHEDS

### OREGON

*as of*  
**FEBRUARY 1, 1961**

**U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE SOIL CONSERVATION SERVICE, OREGON AGRICULTURAL EXPERIMENT STATION and OREGON STATE ENGINEER**

**GENERAL OUTLOOK** - The water outlook for the 1961 irrigation season in Umatilla, Morrow and Gilliam Counties is "fair to poor" and is definitely poorer than at this date last year. Mountain snow cover has failed to grow but warm temperatures have made possible larger than normal inflow to reservoirs.

**SNOW COVER** - Water content of the mountain snowpack is only 45 percent of average and is 30 percent less than last year at this date. Low-elevation snow is conspicuously absent this year.

In a normal winter about two-thirds of the total winter's snowpack is on the ground by February 1st. This year, however, snow accumulation to date is only 36 percent of a normal winter's accumulation. Therefore, remaining winter storms will have to deposit double the amount of snow now on the watersheds if the area is to have average conditions of runoff.

**SOIL-MOISTURE** - The soil mantle (top 4 feet) on the mountain watersheds under the snowpack is now wet up to 83 percent of capacity. This condition is very favorable to runoff expected to come this spring.

**RESERVOIR STORAGE** - Warm temperatures have contributed to better than average inflow to both McKay and Cold Springs Reservoirs. Present storage at McKay is 17,000 acre feet or 50 percent of average. Storage in Cold Springs Reservoir is 38,000 acre feet or 134 percent of the usual figure for this date.

**STREAMFLOW** - Flow of the Umatilla near Umatilla\* has averaged 56 percent of average since October 1st. The January flow dropped off to 33 percent of average.

Forecasts of streamflow for the April-September irrigation season are 67 percent of the 1943-57 average for the South Fork of the Walla Walla River, 73 percent average for the Umatilla at Pendleton, and 52 percent of average for McKay Creek.

McKay Reservoir peaked at 68,800 acre feet last year. It is doubtful that it will fill this year. Cold Springs has a good chance to fill.

The smaller streams, Birch, Butter, Willow, Rhea and Rock Creeks will have short flows and will produce perhaps sufficient water for only one good irrigation.

\*Preliminary data furnished by U.S. Geological Survey, Portland, Oregon

**WATER SUPPLY OUTLOOK** expressed as "Poor", "Fair"  
"Average" or "Excellent"

STREAM or AREA	FLOW PERIOD	
	SPRING SEASON	LATE SEASON
Birch Creek	Fair	Poor
Butter Creek	Fair	Poor
Dry Creek	Fair	Poor
Dugger Creek	Fair	Poor
Johnson Creek	Fair	Poor
McKay Creek	Fair	Poor
Mill Creek	Fair	Poor
Mud Creek	Fair	Poor
Pine Creek	Fair	Poor
Rhea Creek	Fair	Poor
Rock Creek	Fair	Poor
Umatilla River (Cold Springs Res.)	Average	Fair
Umatilla River, Main	Fair	Poor
Umatilla River (McKay Res.)	Average	Fair
Walla Walla River, Little	Fair	Poor
Walla Walla River, Main	Fair	Poor
Walla Walla River, N. Fork	Fair	Poor
Walla Walla River, S. Fork	Fair	Poor
Willow Creek	Fair	Poor

**RESERVOIR STORAGE (1,000 Ac. Ft.)**

RESERVOIR	USABLE CAPACITY	MEASURED (First of Month)		
		THIS YEAR	LAST YEAR	1943-57 AVERAGE
Cold Springs	50.0	38.0	29.7	28.4
McKay	73.8	17.0	15.8	33.7

**STREAMFLOW FORECASTS<sup>a</sup> (1,000 Ac. Ft.)**

NO.	NAME	FORECAST POINT		FORECAST THIS YEAR	FORECAST PERIOD	1943-57 AVERAGE	THIS YEAR AS PERCENT OF AVERAGE <sup>b</sup>
		NO.	NAME				
0225	McKay near Pilot Rock			16	April-Sept.	31	52
				16	April-July	31	52
0200	Umatilla near Gibbon			70	April-Sept.	96	73
0210	Umatilla at Pendleton			137	April-Sept.	187	73
0100	Walla Walla, South Fork near Milton			135	April-July	182	74
				51	April-Sept.	76	67
				42	April-July	62	68

**AVAILABLE SOIL MOISTURE**

STATION	PROFILE (Inches)			SOIL MOISTURE (Inches)			
	DEPTH	AVAILABLE CAPACITY	DATE	THIS YEAR	LAST YEAR	2 YEARS AGO	
NAME	ELEVATION						
Athena-Weston	1700	48	11.8	1-26-61	9.6	6.9	4.2 <sup>g</sup>
Battle Mountain Summit	4340	48	8.0	12-28-60	5.8	4.4	2.6
Emigrant Springs	3925	48	15.0	1-26-61	12.6	14.4 <sup>g</sup>	6.2 <sup>g</sup>
Tollgate	5070	48	17.8	1-26-61	15.6	16.4	17.2 <sup>g</sup>

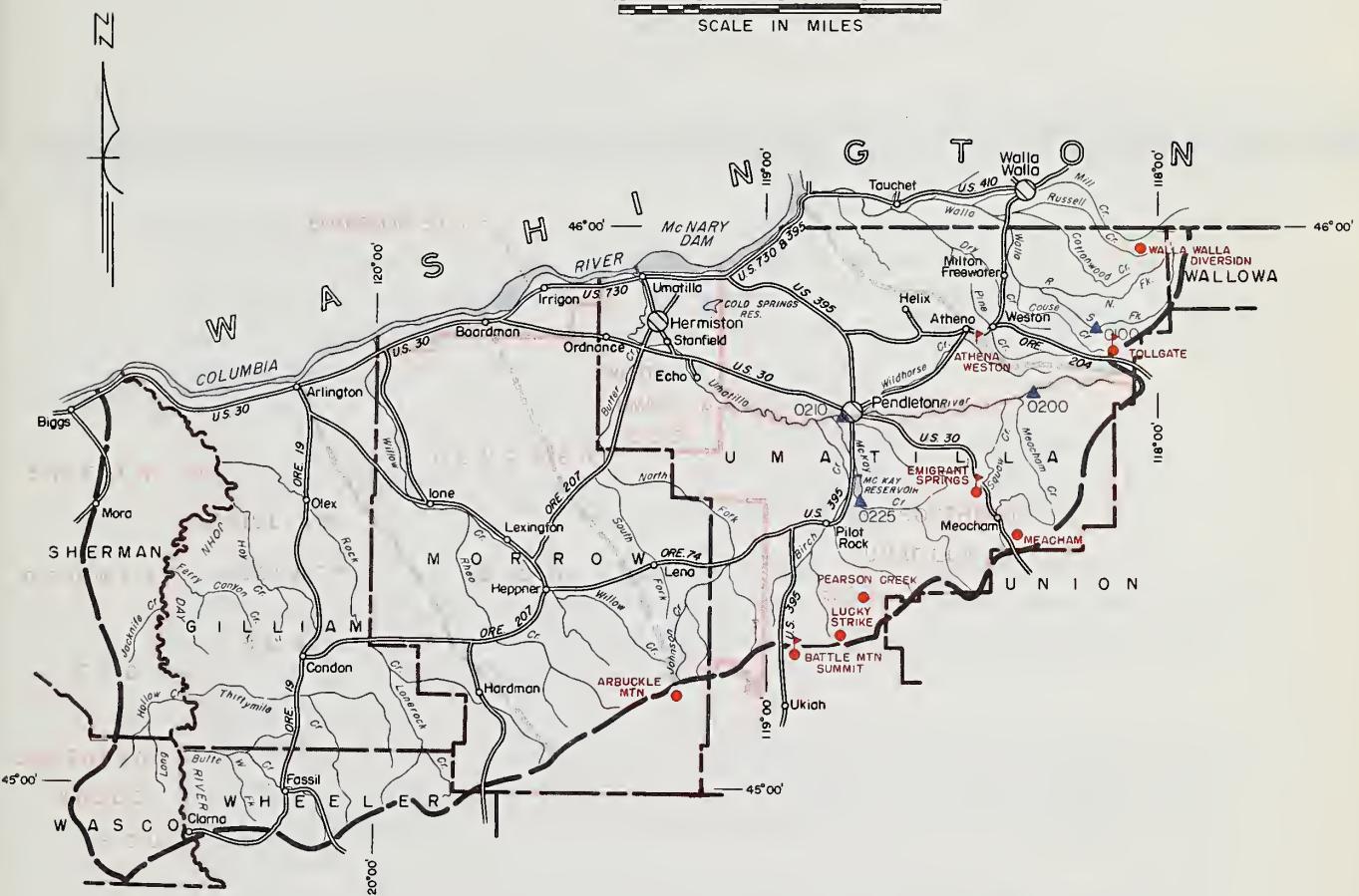
**SNOW**

SNOW COURSE	CURRENT INFORMATION			PAST RECORD		
	DATE OF SURVEY	SNOW DEPTH (Inches)	WATER CONTENT (Inches)	WATER CONTENT (Inches)	1943-57 AVERAGE	YEARS IN AVERAGE <sup>b</sup>
NAME	ELEVATION		LAST YEAR			
Arbuckle Mountain	5400	1/27	18	4.4	8.5	15
Battle Mountain Summit	4340	1/27	T	3.5	--	0
Emigrant Springs	3925	1/26	4	1.0	4.6	6.1
Lucky Strike	5050	1/25	24	4.9	6.3	9.0
Meacham	4300	1/26	10	2.8	5.0	7.1
Tollgate	5070	1/26	28	8.8	8.0	19.2

(a) Assuming normal meteorological conditions. (b) 1943-57, 15 year period. (c) Not scheduled. (d) Corrected to natural flow. (e) Aerial snow depth gage; water content estimated. (f) Report delayed. (g) Nearest current data.

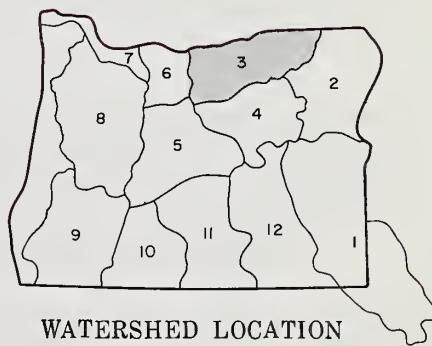
# UMATILLA, WALLA WALLA, WILLOW, ROCK, LOWER JOHN DAY WATERSHEDS

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## LEGEND

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WATERSHED LOCATION

Umatilla, Walla Walla, Willow, Rock, Lower John Day Watersheds

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# WATER SUPPLY OUTLOOK UPPER JOHN DAY WATERSHEDS OREGON

*as of*  
**FEBRUARY 1, 1961**

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE SOIL CONSERVATION SERVICE, OREGON AGRICULTURAL EXPERIMENT STATION and OREGON STATE ENGINEER

## GENERAL OUTLOOK

The water supply outlook for the 1961 irrigation season in the Upper John Day area has not improved during the last month and is still only "fair" to "poor". Low elevation streams are expected to peak early in the season and fall off rapidly due to a lack of snow on lower watersheds.

## SNOW COVER

Water content of the snowpack in this area did not make its usual January gains this year and is now only 55 percent of the 1943-57 average. This is slightly less snow water than was on the watershed at this time last year.

Usually by February 1st about 69 percent of the total winter's "snow crop" has fallen on the watershed. This year only 39 percent has been measured to date. It is not likely that the future winter storms will be able to balance this large "deficit" in the "snow bank" reservoir.

## SOIL-MOISTURE

Watershed soils in this area are only 42 percent of capacity for the 3 to 4 foot profile. Soils at lower elevations, not covered by snow, lost moisture during January as a result of far below normal precipitation and warmer than normal temperatures.

Soils under the snowpack absorbed some snow melt water and show a slight increase in moisture.

## STREAMFLOW

Flow of the John Day River at Service Creek\* last month was only 35 percent of the January average for the 1943-57 period. This again is a reflection of far below normal precipitation accompanied by warm January temperatures and snow melt water being absorbed by the soil mantle. The total flow since October 1st at this station has averaged only 54 percent of normal.

Streamflow forecasts for the coming irrigation season range from 77 percent of average (1943-57 period) on Strawberry Creek to 73 percent on the Middle Fork, John Day at Ritter. The John Day at Prairie City forecast is 74 percent of average.

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# WATER SUPPLY OUTLOOK

expressed as "Poor", "Fair"  
"Average" or "Excellent"

STREAM or AREA	FLOW-PERIOD	
	SPRING SEASON	LATE SEASON
Beech Creek	Fair	Poor
Beech Creek-Fox-Long Cr.	Fair	Poor
Bridge-Mountain Creeks	Fair	Poor
Camas Creek	Fair	Fair
Cherry Creek	Fair	Poor
Indian-Pine Creeks	Fair	Poor
John Day River, Main Fork	Fair	Fair
John Day River, Mid. Fork	Fair	Fair
John Day River, N. Fork	Fair	Fair
John Day River, S. Fork	Fair	Fair
Monument-Kimberly	Fair	Fair
Strawberry Creek	Fair	Fair

# RESERVOIR STORAGE (1,000 Ac. Ft.)

RESERVOIR	USABLE CAPACITY	MEASURED (First of Month)		
		THIS YEAR	LAST YEAR	1943-57 AVERAGE

# STREAMFLOW FORECASTS<sup>a</sup>(1,000 Ac. Ft.)

NO.	FORECAST POINT NAME	FORECAST THIS YEAR	FORECAST PERIOD	1943-57 AVERAGE		THIS YEAR AS PERCENT OF AVERAGE <sup>b</sup>
				1943-57 AVERAGE	THIS YEAR AS PERCENT OF AVERAGE <sup>b</sup>	
0385	John Day at Prairie City	40	April-Sept.	54	74	
		37	April-July	49	76	
0440	John Day, Middle Fork at Ritter	98	April-Sept.	135	73	
0375	Strawberry near Prairie City	7.0	April-Sept.	9.1	77	

# AVAILABLE SOIL MOISTURE

STATION NAME	ELEVATION	DEPTH	PROFILE (Inches)			SOIL MOISTURE (Inches)		
			AVAILABLE CAPACITY	DATE	THIS YEAR	LAST YEAR	2 YEARS AGO	
Battle Mountain Summit	4340	48	8.0	12-28-60	5.8	4.4	2.6	
Blue Mountain Springs	5900	42	12.0	1-26-61	2.8	--	7.8 <sup>h</sup>	
Blue Mountain Summit	5100	36	10.4	1-25-61	3.2	2.3	3.3 <sup>h</sup>	
Derr	5670	24	6.0	c				
Marks Creek	4540	36	8.3	1-27-61	3.5	2.2	4.0	
Snow Mountain	6300	48	10.4	c				
Starr Ridge	5150	36	6.1	1-27-61	3.6	5.1	--	

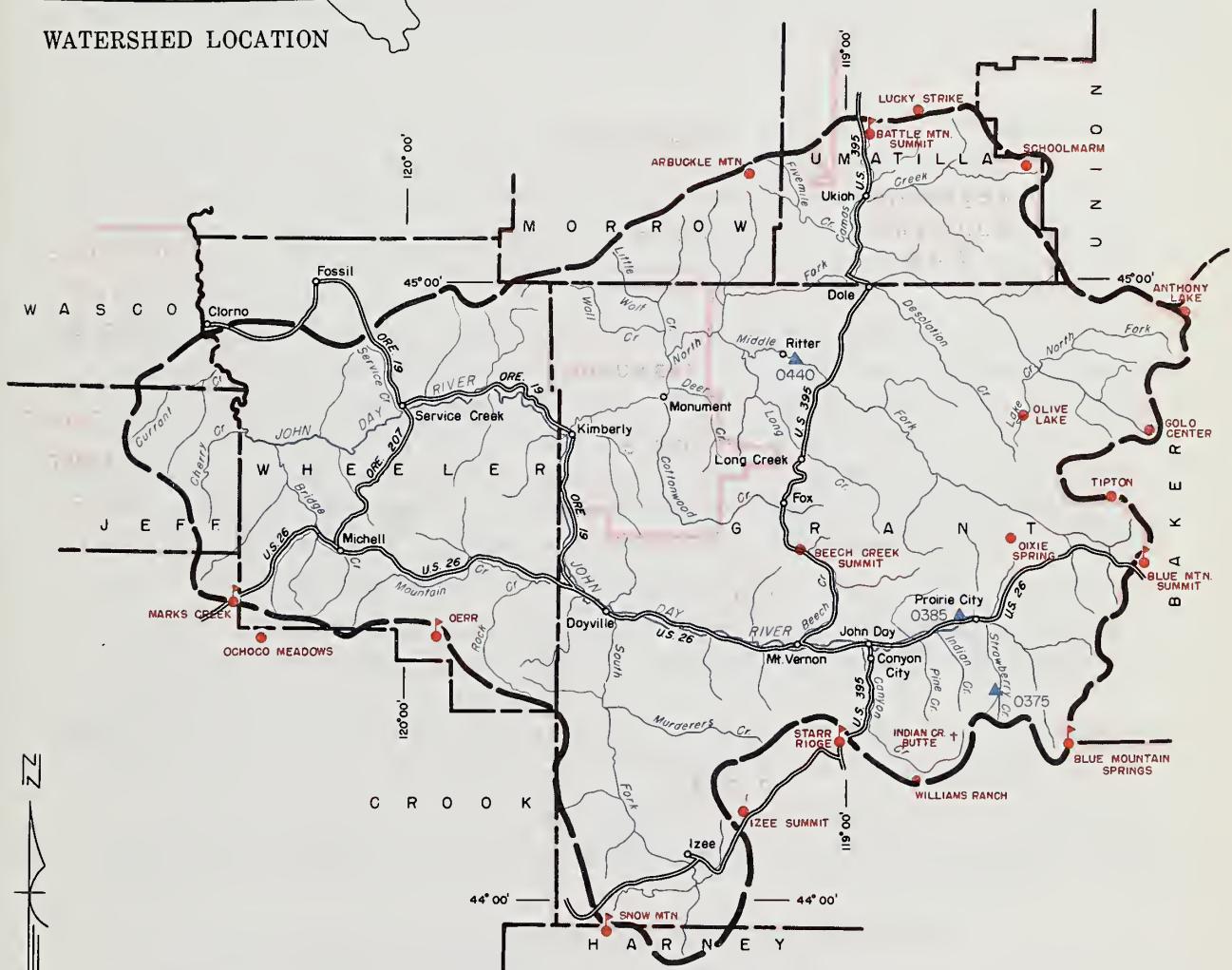
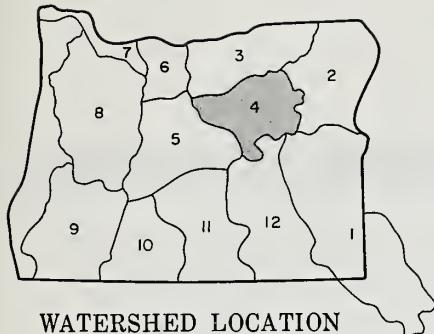
# SNOW

SNOW COURSE NAME	ELEVATION	DATE OF SURVEY	SNOW DEPTH (Inches)	WATER CONTENT (Inches)	CURRENT INFORMATION		PAST RECORD	
					WATER CONTENT (Inches) LAST YEAR	1943-57 AVERAGE	YEARS IN AVERAGE <sup>b</sup>	
Anthony Lake	7125	1/24	40	12.2	8.4	21.1	13	
Arbuckle Mountain	5400	1/27	18	4.9	4.4	8.5	15	
Battle Mountain Summit	4340	1/27	T	T	3.5	--	0	
Beech Creek Summit	4800	1/27	4	1.3	3.5	4.6	14	
Blue Mountain Spring	5900	1/26	23	6.6	6.9	11.0	14	
Blue Mountain Summit	5098	1/27	17	4.0	3.4	6.9	15	
Derr	5670	1/30	16	3.8	5.0	7.4	15	
Dixie Springs	6650	c						
Gold Center	5340	1/28	22	5.9	5.4	9.2	14	
Indian Creek Butte <sup>e</sup>	6550	c						
Izee Summit	5293	1/27	13	3.4	3.9	6.7	14	
Lucky Strike	5050	1/25	24	4.9	6.3	9.0	14	
Marks Creek	4540	1/27	0.6	0.1	3.2	4.2	15	
Ochoco Meadows	5200	1/27	17	4.6	5.1	8.1	15	
Olive Lake	6000	1/30	35	8.5	7.1	13.3	15	
Schoolmarm	4775	1/31	8	2.7	2.8	4.0	7	
Snow Mountain	6300	c						
Starr Ridge	5150	1/27	8	2.2	3.6	4.9	14	
Tipton	5100	1/27	22	5.2	3.9	8.2	12	
Williams Ranch	4500	c						

(a) Assuming normal meteorological conditions. (b) 1943-57, 15 year period. (c) Not scheduled. (d) Corrected to natural flow. (e) Aerial snow depth gage; water content estimated. (f) Report delayed. (g) Not surveyed. (h) Nearest current data.

# UPPER JOHN DAY WATERSHEDS

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SCALE IN MILES



## LEGEND

- Watershed Boundary
- Sub-watershed Boundary
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Upper John Day Watersheds

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# WATER SUPPLY OUTLOOK

## UPPER DESCHUTES, CROOKED WATERSHEDS

### OREGON

*as of*  
FEBRUARY 1, 1961

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE SOIL CONSERVATION SERVICE, OREGON AGRICULTURAL EXPERIMENT STATION and OREGON STATE ENGINEER

**GENERAL OUTLOOK** - The water supply outlook for the 1961 irrigation season in the mid-state area is still pretty much below average. Crooked River watersheds have less snow than last year and will produce only half the average streamflow - probably less on the Ochoco.

The Deschutes watersheds have a better snow cover than last year and will consequently have better stream flows but still considerably below average.

**SNOW COVER** - Water content of the mountain snow cover over the two watersheds together averages 48 percent of the normal (15 years 1943-57) and 122 percent of last year. Crooked River watersheds actually have somewhat less snow cover than last year.

**SOIL-MOISTURE** - Moisture in the top four feet of the soil mantle is only slightly better than last year but it is more concentrated in the upper two feet. Some moisture has been lost from exposed soil surfaces. Records from three electronic stations indicate soil moisture is about 42 percent of capacity.

**RESERVOIR STORAGE** - The lack of carry-over supplies has a significant effect on the water outlook this year. Storage in Ochoco Reservoir is far below average and less than last year. Inflow to this reservoir is predicted to be only 10,000 acre feet during the April-September period.

Storage in Crane Prairie and Crescent Lake Reservoirs is 77 and 66 percent of normal and behind the amount held last year. Wickiup has 130,000 acre feet compared with 125,000 last year.

**STREAMFLOW** - Flow of the Deschutes River\*, as measured at Moody, has averaged 88 percent normal since October 1st. The January flow was 78 percent normal.

Streamflow forecasts for the Crooked River and for Ochoco Reservoir inflow during the April-September period are 57 percent and 31 percent of average, respectively.

Discharge forecasts for the main Deschutes River at Benham Falls is 75 percent average or 450,000 acre feet for the irrigation season.

Flow of Squaw and Tumalo Creeks has been forecast at 85 and 78 percent average, respectively.

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# WATER SUPPLY OUTLOOK

expressed as "Poor", "Fair"  
"Average" or "Excellent"

STREAM or AREA	FLOW PERIOD	
	SPRING SEASON	LATE SEASON
Arnold Irrigation Dist.	Average	Average
Bear Creek	Fair	Poor
Beaver Creek	Fair	Poor
Camp Creek	Fair	Poor
Central Ore. Irrig. Dist.	Average	Average
Crooked River	Fair	Poor
Deschutes River	Average	Fair
Hay-Trout Creeks	Fair	Poor
Lone Pine Irrig. Dist.	Average	Average
Mill Creek	Fair	Poor
North Unit Irrig. Dist.	Average	Fair
Ochoco Creek	Fair	Poor
Sisters Irrigation Dist.	Fair	Poor
Snow Creek Irrig. Dist.	Fair	Poor
Squaw Creek Irrig. Dist.	Fair	Fair
Swalley Ditch	Average	Average
Tumalo Project	Average	Average
Walker Basin Irrig. Dist.	Average	Fair

# RESERVOIR STORAGE (1,000 Ac. Ft.)

RESERVOIR -	USABLE CAPACITY	MEASURED (First of Month)		
		THIS YEAR	LAST YEAR	1943-57 AVERAGE
Crane Prairie	55.3	31.8	37.2	41.2
Crescent Lake	117.2	30.6	44.1	46.1
Ochoco	47.5	2.3	3.1	25.0
Wickiup	182.0	130.0	124.8	122.4

Note: The U. S. Bureau of Reclamation indicates that dead storage in the amount of 5360 acre feet may be included in the current storage figure for Crescent Lake.

# STREAMFLOW FORECASTS<sup>a</sup> (1,000 Ac. Ft.)

NO.	FORECAST POINT NAME	FORECAST THIS YEAR	FORECAST PERIOD	1943-57 AVERAGE	THIS YEAR AS PERCENT OF AVERAGE <sup>b</sup>
				1943-57 AVERAGE	
0535	Crane Prairie Reservoir total Inflow	94	April-Sept.	143	66
0600	Crescent at Crescent Lake <sup>d</sup>	20	April-Sept.	31	65
0795	Crooked near Post	73	April-Sept.	129	57
0645	Deschutes at Benham Falls <sup>d</sup>	450	April-Sept.	602	75
		307	April-July	404	76
0500	Deschutes below Snow Creek	47	April-Sept.	74	64
0630	Deschutes, Little near Lapine <sup>d</sup>	78	April-Sept.	113	69
		69	April-July	100	69
0848	Ochoco Reservoir net Inflow	10	April-Sept.	32	31
0555	Odell near Crescent	25	April-Sept.	34	74
0750	Squaw near Sisters	47	April-Sept.	55	85
0730	Tumalo near Bend <sup>d</sup>	43	April-Sept.	55	78

# AVAILABLE SOIL MOISTURE

STATION	PROFILE (Inches)			SOIL MOISTURE (Inches)		
	DEPTH	AVAILABLE CAPACITY	DATE	THIS YEAR	LAST YEAR	2 YEARS AGO
Derr	24	6.0	c			
Marks Creek	36	8.3	1-27-61	3.5	2.2	
Snow Mountain	48	10.4	c			4.0

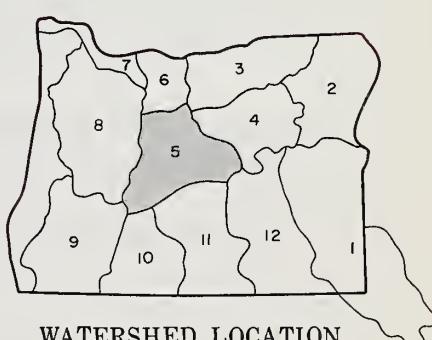
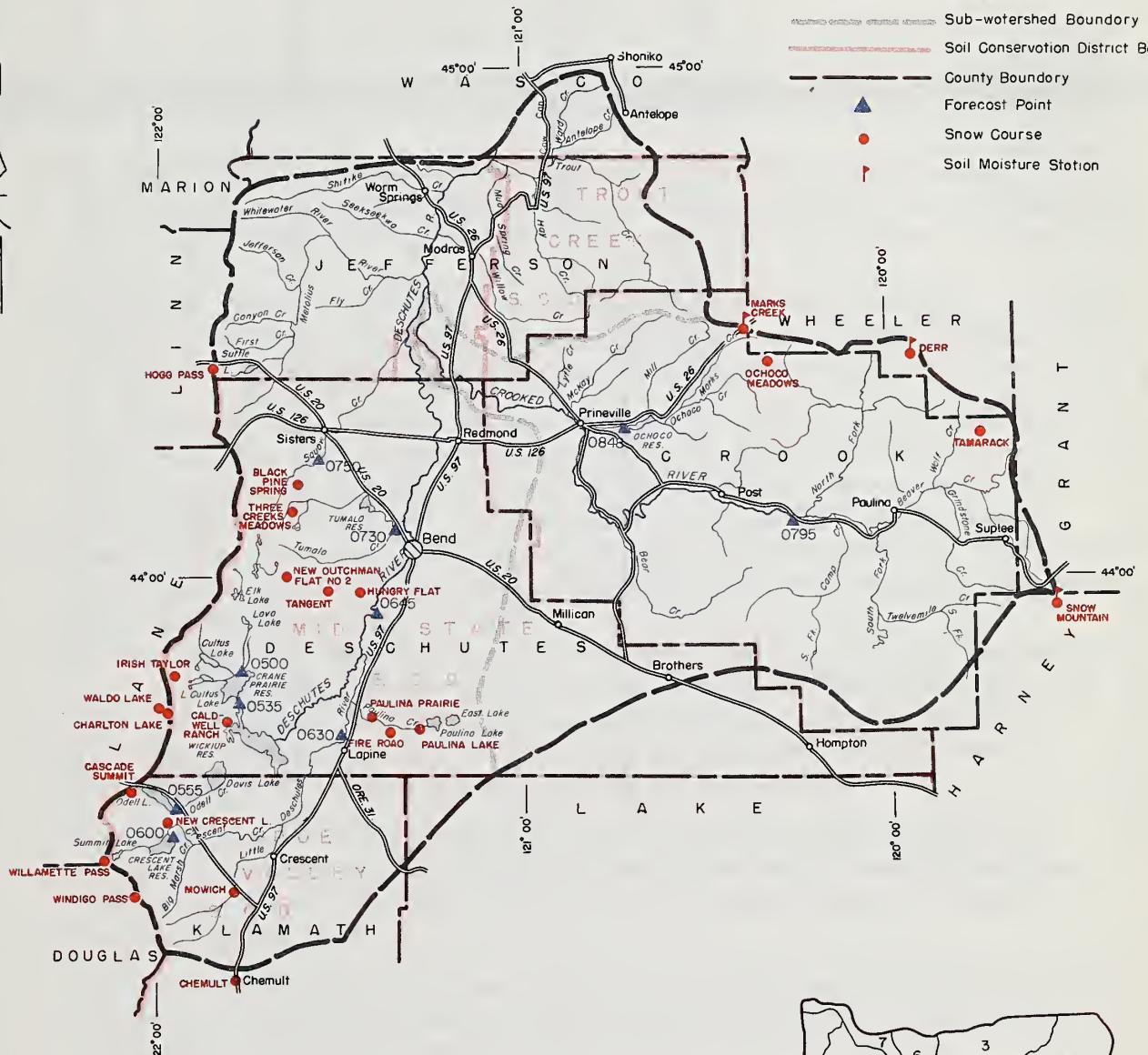
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# UPPER DESCHUTES, CROOKED WATERSHEDS

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WATERSHED LOCATION

# Upper Deschutes, Crooked Watersheds

## SNOW

SNOW COURSE		CURRENT INFORMATION			PAST RECORD		
		DATE OF SURVEY	SNOW DEPTH (inches)	WATER CONTENT (inches)	WATER CONTENT (inches) LAST YEAR	1943-57 AVERAGE	YEARS IN AVERAGE <sup>b</sup>
Black Pine Spring	4600	1/27	0	0.0	--	5.2	6
Caldwell Ranch	4400	1/25	11	4.5 <sup>g</sup>	4.2	9.1	9
Cascade Summit	4880	1/30	27	9.2	10.0	24.4	15
Charlton Lake	5750	1/24	34	11.8	6.4	20.6	6
Chemult	4760	1/27	14	4.9 <sup>g</sup>	4.8	10.0	15
Derr	5670	1/30	16	3.8	5.0	7.4	15
Fire Road	5050	1/18	9	3.9	3.1	--	3
Hogg Pass	4755	1/26	35	12.3	9.2	32.3	15
Hungry Flat	4400	1/26	T	T	2.4	7.5	6
Irish-Taylor	5500	1/25	40	14.7	11.7	29.5	6
Marks Creek	4540	1/27	0.6	0.1	3.2	4.2	15
Mowich	4700	1/18	1	T	4.1	--	1
New Crescent Lake	4800	1/19	17	6.4	6.4	12.3	5
New Dutchman Flat No. 2	6400	1/26	64	24.4	13.8	40.4	8
Ochoco Meadows	5200	1/27	17	4.6	5.1	8.1	15
Paulina Lake	6330	1/18	32	10.7	6.2	--	3
Paulina Prairie	4285	1/18	0	0.0	1.1	--	3
Snow Mountain	6300	c					
Tamarack	4800	c					
Tangent	5400	1/26	40	12.9	6.4	20.6	6
Three Creeks Butte	5200	1/27	10	3.5	4.0	--	3
Three Creeks Meadows	5600	1/27	20	6.9	3.6	13.7	13
Waldo Lake	5500	1/24	30	10.0	7.1	20.9	8
Willamette Pass	5600	1/20	46	15.4	15.8	32.3	7
Windigo Pass	5800	1/19	52	19.5	13.8	35.6	7

# WATER SUPPLY OUTLOOK HOOD, MILE CREEKS, LOWER DESCHUTES WATERSHEDS OREGON

*as of*  
**FEBRUARY 1, 1961**

**U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE SOIL CONSERVATION SERVICE, OREGON AGRICULTURAL EXPERIMENT STATION and OREGON STATE ENGINEER**

**GENERAL OUTLOOK** - The water supply outlook for the 1961 irrigation season in Hood River and Wasco Counties is "fair" to "poor" and slightly better than last year at this date. The excellent beginning reported one month ago has dissolved in the warm dry spell that has prevailed during most of January.

**SNOW COVER** - Water content of the mountain snowpack is only 37 percent of average and about the same as one year ago. The big difference is that this year's snowpack is mostly confined to the higher elevations - the low snow has melted off.

In an average winter the snow accumulation usually reaches 60 percent of the total by February 1st. This winter's "snow crop" is so far equal to only 28 percent of the total average accumulation. Remaining winter storms will have to deposit three times as much snow as is now on the ground if this big deficit is to be overcome.

**SOIL-MOISTURE** - Moisture content of watershed soils is very satisfactory. Heavy November rains coupled with contributions from melting low-elevation snow have produced a situation favorable to runoff.

**RESERVOIR STORAGE** - No reports have been received from Wasco County reservoirs but it is believed that present storage in Clear Lake, Rock Creek and Badger Lake Reservoirs is behind schedule as are most other reservoirs over the state.

**STREAMFLOW** - Flow of Hood River\* has been 84 percent of the 1943-57 average since October 1st. During January it was 96 percent average.

Forecasted flow of Hood River during the April-September period is 80 percent average for the main stream at Hood River and 78 percent for the West Fork near Dee. Lack of snow in the Mt. Defiance area may mean shortages for Hood River Irrigation District lands.

The flow of White River is forecast at 75 percent average for the irrigation season and smaller tributaries such as Rock, Gate, Threemile, Badger and Tygh Creeks are expected to have much below average flows.

Flow of Mosier, Mill and the Mile Creeks will be considerably below average unless a satisfactory low-elevation snowpack develops to support their flows.

\*Preliminary data furnished by U.S. Geological Survey, Portland, Oregon

## WATER SUPPLY OUTLOOK

expressed as "Poor", "Fair",  
"Average" or "Excellent"

STREAM or AREA	FLOW PERIOD	
	SPRING SEASON	LATE SEASON
Aldridge Ditch	Fair	Fair
Badger Creek	Fair	Poor
Dee Irrigation District	Fair	Fair
East Fork Irrig. Dist.	Fair	Fair
Farmers Irrig. Dist.	Fair	Fair
Glacier Irrig. Dist.	Fair	Fair
Hood River Irrig. Dist.	Fair	Poor
Juniper Flat	Average	Fair
Middle Fork Irrig. Dist.	Fair	Fair
Mile Creeks	Fair	Poor
Mill Creek	Fair	Poor
Mount Hood Irrig. Dist.	Fair	Fair
Rock-Gate-Threemile Crs.	Fair	Poor
Tygh Creek	Fair	Poor
White River	Fair	Fair

## RESERVOIR STORAGE (1,000 Ac. Ft.)

RESERVOIR	USABLE CAPACITY	MEASURED (First of Month)		
		THIS YEAR	LAST YEAR	1943-57 AVERAGE

## STREAMFLOW FORECASTS<sup>a</sup> (1,000 Ac. Ft.)

NO.	NAME	FORECAST POINT		FORECAST THIS YEAR	FORECAST PERIOD	1943-57 AVERAGE	THIS YEAR AS PERCENT OF AVERAGE
		NO.	NAME				
1210	Hood near Hood River <sup>d</sup>			292	April-Sept.	365	80
				250	April-July	311	80
1185	Hood, West Fork near Dee			135	April-Sept.	174	78
				120	April-July	151	79
1015	White below Tygh Valley			134	April-Sept.	178	75
				117	April-July	161	73

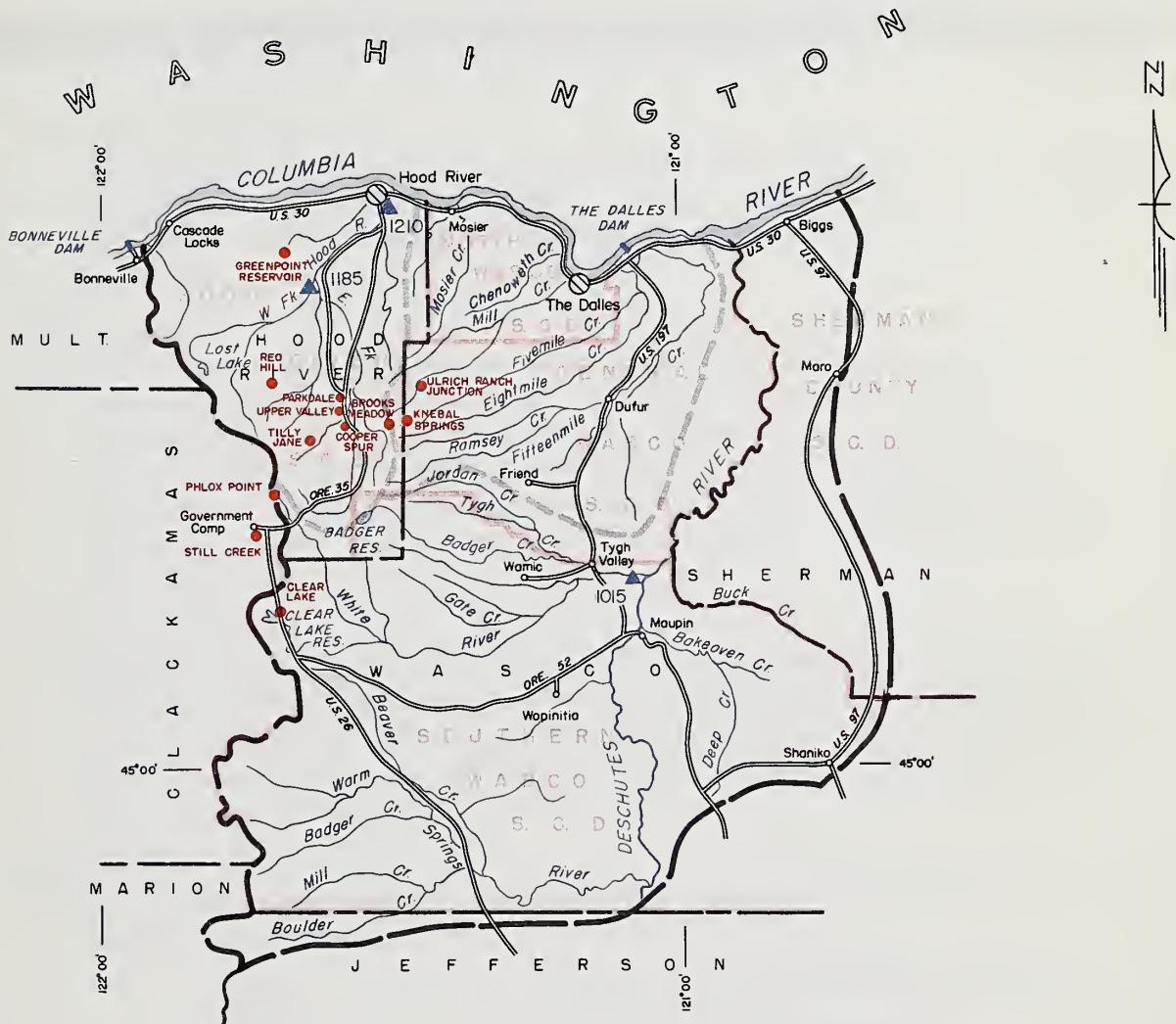
## SNOW

SNOW COURSE	CURRENT INFORMATION			PAST RECORD				
	NAME	ELEVATION	DATE OF SURVEY	SNOW DEPTH (Inches)	WATER CONTENT (Inches)	WATER CONTENT (Inches) LAST YEAR	WATER CONTENT (Inches) 1943-57 AVERAGE	YEARS IN AVERAGE <sup>b</sup>
Brooks Meadows	4300	c						
Clear Lake	3500	1/25	T	T	3.7	8.8	6	
Clear Lake Experimental	3500	1/25	8	3.1	6.0	--	0	
Cooper Spur	3490	2/1	0	0.0	--	--	0	
Greenpoint Reservoir	3400	1/26	2	0.4	8.2	15.6	10	
Knebal Springs	3850	c						
Parkdale	1770	2/1	0	0.0	--	--	0	
Phlox Point	5600	1/25	57	24.6	14.0	43.5	15	
Red Hill	4400	1/21	24	8.6	8.4	34.0	9	
Still Creek	3700	1/25	14	5.5	6.9	19.3	15	
Tilly Jane	6000	1/29	40	16.9	8.6	35.4	9	
Ulrich Ranch Junction	3350	c						
Upper Valley	2530	2/1	0	0.0	--	--	0	

(a) Assuming normal meteorological conditions. (b) 1943-57, 15 year period. (c) Not scheduled. (d) Corrected to natural flow. (e) Aerial snow depth gage; water content estimated. (f) Report delayed. (g) Partly estimated.

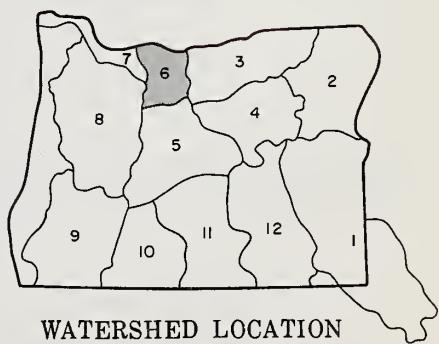
# HOOD, MILE CREEKS, LOWER DESCHUTES WATERSHEDS

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SCALE IN MILES



## LEGEND

- Watershed Boundary
- Sub-watershed Boundary
- Soil Conservation District Bdry.
- County Boundary
- Forecast Point
- Snow Course



Hood, Mile Creeks, Lower Deschutes Watersheds

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# WATER SUPPLY OUTLOOK LOWER COLUMBIA WATERSHEDS OREGON

*as of*  
**FEBRUARY 1, 1961**

U.S.DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE SOIL CONSERVATION SERVICE, OREGON AGRICULTURAL EXPERIMENT STATION and OREGON STATE ENGINEER

## GENERAL OUTLOOK

The water supply outlook for spring and summer flow of the Columbia River near The Dalles is somewhat below normal. The river is forecast to flow 92 million acre feet, which is 87 percent of the 15 year normal (1943-57) for the April-September period.

## SNOW COVER

Key snow courses, measured near February 1 in the United States and Canada indicate well below normal snowfall throughout the month of January. The northern portion of the Columbia Basin in Canada has a snowpack near normal, but the remainder of the basin in Washington, Oregon, Montana, Western Wyoming and Idaho is well below average. The snow line is extremely high for this time of the year with practically no snow on the south slopes even at high elevations.

## SOIL-MOISTURE

Watershed soils in the northern portion of Columbia Basin and Canada are well primed but in the remainder of the basin, watershed soils are again unusually dry. The first foot to foot and a half of soil is partially primed, but below this level, the soil is extremely dry and expected to reduce streamflow resulting from snow melt this spring.

## STREAMFLOW

Flow of the Columbia River near The Dalles\* has been fairly close to normal so far this water year:

<u>Month</u>	<u>Percent of Normal Discharge (1943-57)</u>			
October	103	adjusted for storage		
November	107	"	"	"
December	82	"	"	"
January	78	"	"	"

\*From preliminary data furnished by U.S. Geological Survey, Portland, Oregon

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# STREAMFLOW FORECASTS<sup>a</sup>(1,000 Ac. Ft.)

FORECAST POINT		FORECAST THIS YEAR	FORECAST PERIOD	1943-57 AVERAGE	THIS YEAR AS PERCENT OF AVERAGE <sup>b</sup>
NO.	NAME				
1057	Columbia at The Dalles	92,000 62,600	April-Sept. April-June	106,100 72,000	87 87

## HISTORICAL DATA (Columbia River at The Dalles)

YEAR	STREAMFLOW <sup>c</sup> (1,000 A.F.)			PEAK <sup>e</sup> (1,000 c.f.s.)	DATE
	APR.—SEPT.	APR.—JUNE	MAY—JUNE		
1943	115,000	75,300	52,400	541	June 21
1944	61,900	39,200	32,100	326	June 19
1945	81,600	54,600	47,300	505	June 8
1946	108,100	75,400	59,600	581	May 30
1947	100,300	70,000	56,800	536	May 11
1948	130,500	94,600	81,900	999	May 31
1949	95,700	71,400	56,000	622	May 18
1950	120,400	74,700	61,200	744	June 25
1951	113,000	75,600	59,100	597	May 26
1952	107,700	77,500	57,300	557	May 28
1953	100,600	64,900	55,800	609	June 17
1954	119,500	70,500	59,300	561	May 23
1955	99,500	58,300	50,300	545	June 26
1956	131,400	96,900	75,800	815	June 3
1957	105,700	80,500	67,200	700	May 22
1943-57 Avg.	106,100	72,000	58,100	616	
1958	97,700	72,000	58,600	593	May 31
1959	112,500	71,900	58,900	555	June 23

## LOWER COLUMBIA RIVER FLOOD STAGES (with 9.5' tide at Astoria)<sup>f</sup>

VANCOUVER <sup>g</sup> GAGE (Weather Bu.)	FLOW AT THE DALLES (1,000 c.f.s.)	DRAINAGE DISTRICT PUMPHOUSE						
		SANDY	SAUVIE ISL.	SCAPPOOSE	DEER ISL.	RAINIER	BEAVER	WOODSON
		RIVER MILES						
		118.9	96.0	91.0	77.0	62.0	52.0	47.0
35 (1894)	1210	41.2	34.2	33.3	28.5	21.9	17.5	15.5
34	1160	40.5	33.5	32.5	27.7	21.2	17.0	15.0
33	1100	39.6	32.4	31.4	26.7	20.2	16.1	14.3
32	1050	38.9	31.5	30.5	25.7	19.5	15.4	13.7
31 (1948)	1000	38.0	30.7	29.5	25.1	18.8	14.7	13.0
30	940	36.6	29.5	28.5	24.3	18.1	14.0	12.4
29	890	35.5	28.5	27.7	23.7	17.5	13.4	11.8
28	840	34.3	27.5	26.7	22.8	17.0	13.0	11.4
27 (1956)	790	33.0	26.5	25.6	21.8	16.2	12.5	11.0
26 (1950)	750	32.1	25.5	24.6	20.9	15.5	12.2	10.7
25	700	30.7	24.2	23.2	19.7	14.6	11.7	10.3
24	660	29.7	23.0	22.2	19.0	14.1	11.4	10.2
23	630	29.0	22.3	21.4	18.4	13.6	11.2	10.0
22	590	28.1	21.4	20.3	17.2	13.0	10.9	9.7
21	560	27.2	20.7	19.5	16.4	12.6	10.6	9.6
20	530	26.2	19.8	18.6	15.5	12.1	10.2	9.4
19	510	25.5	19.2	18.0	15.0	11.8	10.0	9.3
18	480	24.4	18.3	17.2	14.3	11.4	9.8	9.1
17	450	23.4	17.4	16.4	13.7	11.0	9.6	8.9
16	430	22.4	16.5	15.5	13.0	10.5	9.3	8.7

(a) Assuming normal meteorological conditions. (b) 1943-57, 15 year period. (c) Observed flow corrected for storage in F.D.R., Kootenai, Pend Oreille, Flathead, Hungry Horse, Lake Chelan, Coeur d'Alene and Grand Coulee Equalizer. (d) Not scheduled. (e) Observed peak. (f) Based on Corps of Engineers automatic water stage recorder data. (g) Vancouver Weather Bureau gage zero is 1.82' above M.S.L.. All other readings are in feet above M.S.L.

# LOWER COLUMBIA WATERSHEDS

10 0 10 20 30  
SCALE IN MILES



WATERSHED LOCATION

## LEGEND

- Watershed Boundary
- Sub-watershed Boundary
- Soil Conservation District Bdry.
- County Boundary
- (50) River Miles

## Lower Columbia Watersheds

## COLUMBIA RIVER BASIN



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# WATER SUPPLY OUTLOOK WILLAMETTE WATERSHEDS OREGON

*as of*  
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U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE SOIL CONSERVATION SERVICE, OREGON AGRICULTURAL EXPERIMENT STATION and OREGON STATE ENGINEER

## GENERAL OUTLOOK

The water supply outlook for 1961 irrigation in the Willamette Valley has not improved and has become slightly poorer than the "fair" outlook predicted one month ago. Storms have been few and far between and have arrived with above normal temperatures, causing precipitation to fall as rain rather than as snow which accumulates for a later runoff in the regular melting season.

## SNOW COVER

Water content of the mountain snowpack is exceedingly low - lower percentage-wise (only 27 percent of average) than on any other major watershed area in the state. There is now one-third less snow-water available than last year at this date when it was only 40 percent of the average. With this big a "deficit", it is highly unlikely that remaining winter storms will deposit enough moisture to "balance the budget in the snow bank."

## SOIL-MOISTURE

Watershed soils at higher elevations have been well recharged by heavy late November rainstorms. Likewise, most valley soils have been well wetted.

## RESERVOIR STORAGE

Storage of water in the five multi-purpose reservoirs operated by the Corps of Army Engineers is about 35 percent less than at this date last year but will gradually increase in accordance with pre-arranged planning.

## STREAMFLOW

Flow of the Middle Fork of the Willamette River\* has been below average since October 1st except for a short four days at Thanksgiving time when discharge was exceptionally high. Discharge has been 71 percent of the 1943-57 average.

Streamflow forecasts for Willamette tributaries during the April-September period are all below average and vary from a high of 75 percent average on upper Clackamas River and the McKenzie to a low of 66 percent on the South Santiam.

Discharge of the Molalla, Pudding, Calapooya and smaller streams is expected to be about two-thirds average or less.

\*Preliminary data furnished by U.S. Geological Survey, Portland, Oregon

## WATER SUPPLY OUTLOOK

expressed as "Poor", "Fair"  
"Average" or "Excellent"

STREAM or AREA	FLOW PERIOD	
	SPRING SEASON	LATE SEASON
Calapooya	Fair	Poor
Clackamas	Fair	Fair
McKenzie	Fair	Fair
Molalla	Fair	Poor
Santiam, North	Fair	Fair
Santiam, South	Fair	Fair
Willamette, Coast Fork	Fair	Fair
Willamette, Middle Fork	Fair	Fair

## RESERVOIR STORAGE (1,000 Ac. Ft.)

RESERVOIR	USABLE CAPACITY	MEASURED (First of Month)		
		THIS YEAR	LAST YEAR	1943 - 57 AVERAGE
Cottage Grove	30.0*	1.4	2.4	0.5
Detroit	299.9*	16.9	14.5	27.9
Dorena	70.5*	2.5	5.8	2.6
Fern Ridge	94.2*	8.6	8.9	19.3
Lookout Point	337.2*	11.7	34.3	--

\*Multiple purpose reservoir--space reserved primarily for flood runoff.

## STREAMFLOW FORECASTS<sup>a</sup> (1,000 Ac. Ft.)

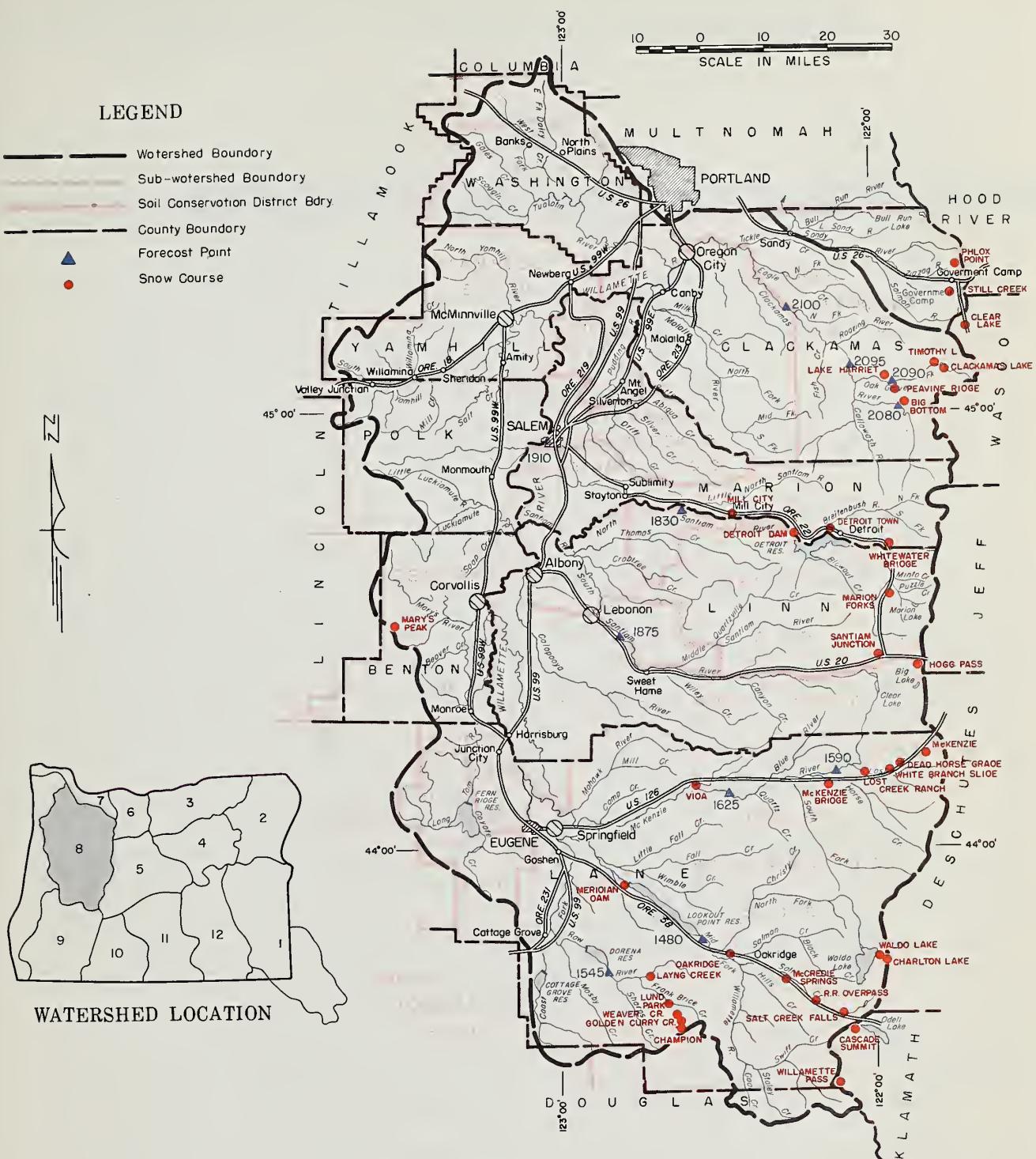
NO.	FORECAST POINT NAME	FORECAST THIS YEAR	FORECAST PERIOD	1943-57 AVERAGE	THIS YEAR AS PERCENT OF AVERAGE <sup>b</sup>
				AVERAGE	
2080	Clackamas at Big Bottom	128	April-Sept.	184	70
		105	April-July	150	70
2100	Clackamas at Estacada	644	April-Sept.	879	73
		580	April-July	763	76
2095	Clackamas above Three Lynx	484	April-Sept.	674	72
		420	April-July	578	73
1590	McKenzie at McKenzie Bridge	477	April-Sept.	640	75
		356	April-July	488	73
1625	McKenzie near Vida	990	April-Sept.	1362	73
		796	April-July	1120	71
2090	Oak Grove Fork above Power Intake	150	April-Sept.	198	76
		116	April-July	156	74
1545	Rox near Dorena	77	April-Sept.	114	68
		74	April-July	109	67
1830	Santiam, North at Mehama <sup>d</sup>	644	April-Sept.	968	67
		558	April-July	866	64
1875	Santiam, South at Waterloo	430	April-Sept.	652	66
		395	April-July	616	64
1480	Willamette, Mid. Fk. blw. N. Fk. nr. Oakridge	667	April-Sept.	909	73
		587	April-July	804	73
1910	Willamette at Salem <sup>d</sup>	4040	April-Sept.	5461	74
		3560	April-July	4942	72

(a) Assuming normal meteorological conditions. (b) 1943-57, 15 year period. (c) Not scheduled. (d) Corrected to natural flow. (e) Aerial snow depth gage; water content estimated. (f) Report delayed.

# WILLAMETTE WATERSHEDS

## LEGEND

- Watershed Boundary
  - Sub-watershed Boundary
  - Soil Conservation District Bdry
  - County Boundary
  - Forecast Point
  - Snow Course



# Willamette Watersheds

## SNOW

SNOW COURSE		CURRENT INFORMATION			PAST RECORD		
NAME	ELEVATION	DATE OF SURVEY	SNOW DEPTH (Inches)	WATER CONTENT (Inches)	WATER CONTENT (Inches)	YEARS IN AVERAGE	
					LAST YEAR	1943-57 AVERAGE	
Big Bottom	2118	1/27	0	0.0	2.7	5.8	6
Cascade Summit	4880	1/30	27	9.2	10.0	24.4	15
Champion	4500	1/30	0	0.0	11.5	20.1	15
Charlton Lake	5750	1/24	34	11.8	6.4	20.6	6
Clackamas Lake	3400	c					
Clear Lake	3500	1/25	T	T	3.7	8.8	6
Clear Lake Experimental	3500	1/25	8	3.1	6.0	--	0
Dead Horse Grade	3800	1/30	0	0.0	7.1	18.4	8
Detroit Town	1610	1/26	0	0.0	2.7	3.6	8
Detroit Dam	1580	1/26	0	0.0	T	1.4	8
Golden Curry Creek	3136	1/30	0	0.0	2.6	8.0	8
Hogg Pass	4755	1/26	35	12.3	9.2	32.3	15
Lake Harriet	2045	1/27	0	0.0	4.3	3.7	7
Layng Creek	1200	1/30	0	0.0	0.0	0.4	8
Lost Creek Ranch	1956	1/30	0	0.0	3.8	5.2	6
Lund Park	1740	1/30	0	0.0	0.0	2.2	8
Marion Forks	2730	1/26	0	0.0	4.8	11.7	15
Marys Peak	3620	1/31	0	0.0	--	7.6	10
McCredie Springs	2120	1/30	0	0.0	T	1.9	8
McKenzie	4800	1/30	32	12.1	11.8	33.5	11
McKenzie Bridge	1372	1/30	0	0.0	T	2.6	9
Meridian Dam	750	1/30	0	0.0	0.0	0.0	7
Mill City	826	1/26	0	0.0	0.0	0.4	8
Oakridge	1310	1/30	0	0.0	0.0	0.3	8
Peavine Ridge	3500	1/27	9	3.7	7.8	13.9	15
Phlox Point	5600	1/25	57	24.6	14.0	43.5	15
Railroad Overpass	2750	1/30	0	0.0	3.0	5.1	8
Salt Creek Falls	4000	1/30	0	0.0	7.8	15.0	8
Santiam Junction	3990	1/26	11	4.2	6.2	19.7	15
Still Creek	3700	1/25	14	5.5	6.9	19.3	15
Timothy Lake	3295	1/27	10	3.9	5.7	--	2
Vida	800	1/30	0	0.0	0.0	0.5	8
Waldo Lake	5500	1/24	30	10.0	7.1	20.9	8
Weaver Creek	2440	1/30	0	0.0	0.0	2.1	7
White Branch Slide	2800	1/30	0	0.0	3.5	8.4	9
Whitewater Bridge	2175	1/26	0	0.0	4.0	7.4	8
Willamette Pass	5600	1/20	46	15.4	15.8	32.3	7

# WATER SUPPLY OUTLOOK ROGUE, UMPQUA WATERSHEDS OREGON

*as of*  
**FEBRUARY 1, 1961**

**U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE SOIL CONSERVATION SERVICE . OREGON AGRICULTURAL EXPERIMENT STATION and OREGON STATE ENGINEER**

**GENERAL OUTLOOK** - The outlook for 1961 irrigation water supplies in the Rogue-Umpqua watersheds has not improved and is poorer than it was on January 1st. Mountain snow cover is now poorer than it was at this date last year. Stored water supplies are far below average in three out of five reservoirs.

**SNOW COVER** - Water content of the snowpack is 76 percent of last year but is only 47 percent of the February 1 average. Storms during January were generally warmer than usual and deposited snow mostly at the highest elevations, leaving lower slopes barren.

In an average winter about two-thirds of the winter "snow crop" is deposited on the ground by February 1st. This winter, the accumulation is actually less than one-third of the usual snowpack. The situation is worse than last year.

**SOIL-MOISTURE** - Moisture in the soil mantle (the top four feet) of the Rogue-Umpqua watersheds is satisfactory and will favor snow-melt runoff.

**RESERVOIR STORAGE** - Stored water for the Medford and Rogue River Valley Irrigation Districts totals about 6,400 acre feet at this date and is 80 percent of last year and only 48 percent of average.

The Talent Irrigation District has about 20,000 acre feet in storage which is half again as much as was available a year ago. This is due largely to new storage facilities at Howard Prairie and Emigrant Gap.

**STREAMFLOW** - Flow of the Rogue River at Raygold\* has averaged only 53 percent normal for the period since October 1st and only 30 percent normal during January.

Streamflow forecasts for the irrigation season (April-September) indicate the larger tributaries of the North Umpqua and Rogue Rivers are expected to discharge from 70 to 77 percent of their average amounts. Smaller, but very important Little Butte Creek is predicted to discharge 62 percent of average.

Although the inflow to Fourmile Lake is expected to be about 72 percent of average, the flow into Hyatt Lake at much lower elevation is expected to be only 32 percent of average. This is mainly caused by a lack of low elevation snow this year.

All streams in the Rogue-Umpqua area are expected to produce less water than last year.

\*Preliminary data furnished by U.S. Geological Survey, Portland, Oregon

## WATER SUPPLY OUTLOOK

expressed as "Poor", "Fair"  
"Average" or "Excellent"

STREAM or AREA	FLOW PERIOD	
	SPRING SEASON	LATE SEASON
Althouse Creek	Fair	Poor
Applegate River, Big	Fair	Fair
Applegate River, Little	Fair	Poor
Ashland Creek	Fair	Poor
Butte Creek, Little	Fair	Poor
Butte Creek, Big	Fair	Fair
Cow Creek	Fair	Poor
Deer Creek	Fair	Poor
Elk Creek	Fair	Poor
Emigrant Cr. (above Res.)	Fair	Poor
Evans Creek	Fair	Poor
Gold Hill Irrigation Dist.	Average	Fair
Grants Pass Irrig. Dist.*	Average	Average
Grave Creek	Fair	Poor
Illinois River, East Fork	Fair	Fair
Illinois River, West Fork	Fair	Fair
Neil Creek	Fair	Poor
Red Blanket Creek	Average	Fair
Rogue River	Average	Fair
Sucker Creek	Fair	Fair
Table Rock Irrig. Dist.	Average	Fair
Thompson Creek	Fair	Poor
Wagner Creek	Fair	Poor
Williams Creek	Fair	Poor

## RESERVOIR STORAGE (1,000 Ac. Ft.)

RESERVOIR	USABLE CAPACITY	MEASURED (First of Month)		
		THIS YEAR	LAST YEAR	1943-57 AVERAGE
Emigrant Gap	39.0	8.9	0.0 <sup>h</sup>	5.2
Fish Lake	7.8	3.4	3.8	5.0
Fourmile Lake	16.1	3.0	4.2	8.3
Howard Prairie	60.0	10.3	5.9	--
Hyatt Prairie	16.1	1.5	6.4	6.1

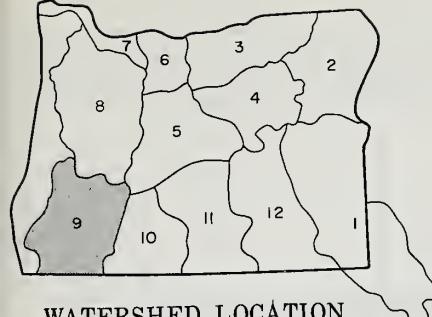
\*Minimum flow of Rogue River at Raygold will probably fall below a minimum flow of 1000 c.f.s. but not below 900 c.f.s. if summer conditions of temperature and rainfall are average.

## STREAMFLOW FORECASTS<sup>a</sup> (1,000 Ac. Ft.)

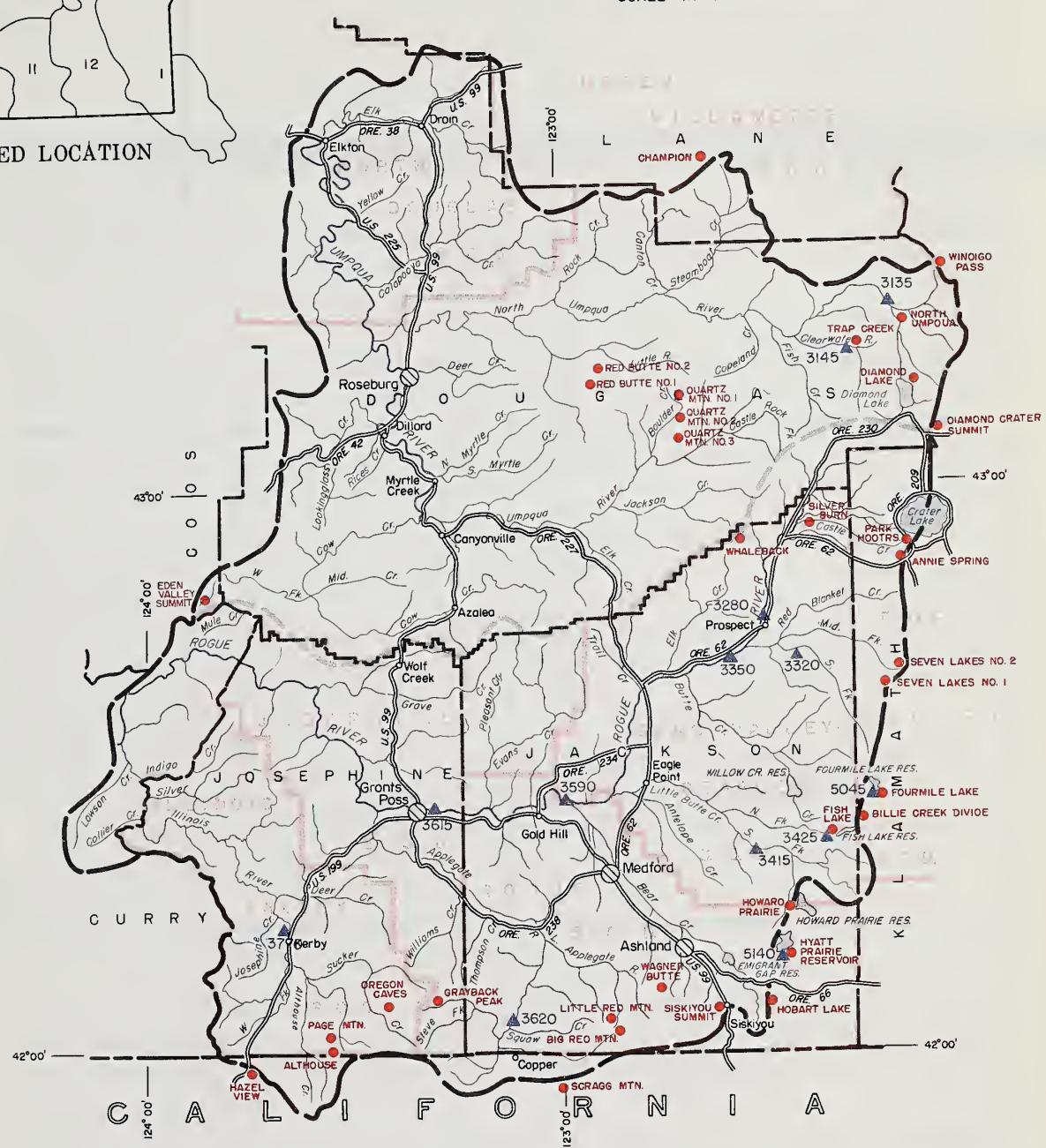
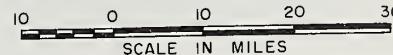
NO.	FORECAST POINT NAME	FORECAST THIS YEAR	FORECAST PERIOD	1943-57 AVERAGE	THIS YEAR AS PERCENT OF AVERAGE <sup>b</sup>
				AVERAGE	
3620	Applegate near Copper	100	April-Sept.	131	76
3145	Clearwater above Trap Creek <sup>d</sup>	53	April-Sept.	73	73
5045	Fourmile Lake net Inflow <sup>d</sup>	5.3	April-Sept.	7.4	72
5140	Hyatt Reservoir net Inflow <sup>d</sup>	2.0	April-Sept.	6.2	32
3770	Illinois River at Kerby <sup>d</sup>	150	April-Sept.	196	77
3425	Little Butte, N. Fk. at Fish Lake nr. Lk. Cr. <sup>d</sup>	10.4	April-Sept.	16.9	62
3415	Little Butte, S. Fk. near Lake Creek	26	April-July	42	61
	Note: Minimum flow will drop to 100 c.f.s. by May 16				
3280	Rogue above Prospect	255	April-Sept.	351	73
		207	April-July	293	71
3320	Rogue, South Fork near Prospect <sup>d</sup>	60	April-Sept.	83	72
		50	April-July	71	70
3350	Rogue below South Fork	531	April-Sept.	749	71
		425	April-July	608	70
3590	Rogue at Raygold near Central Point	705	April-Sept.	1004	70
		590	April-July	842	70
3615	Rogue at Grants Pass	672	April-Sept.	974	69
3135	Umpqua, North blw. Lemolo Res. near Toketee Falls <sup>d</sup>	138	April-Sept.	186	74

(a) Assuming normal meteorological conditions. (b) 1943-57, 15 year period. (c) Not scheduled. (d) Corrected to natural flow. (e) Aerial snow depth gage; water content estimated. (f) Report delayed. (g) Not Surveyed. (h) Construction. (i) 7 of 18 sampling points. (j) Partly estimated.

# ROGUE, UMPQUA WATERSHEDS



## WATERSHED LOCATION



#### LEGEND

-  Watershed Boundary  
 Sub-watershed Boundary  
 Soil Conservation District Bdry  
 County Boundary  
 Forecast Point  
 Snow Course

Rogue, Umpqua Watersheds

**SNOW**

SNOW COURSE		CURRENT INFORMATION			PAST RECORD		
		DATE OF SURVEY	SNOW DEPTH (Inches)	WATER CONTENT (Inches)	WATER CONTENT (Inches)	YEARS IN AVERAGE	<sup>b</sup>
NAME	ELEVATION				LAST YEAR	1943-57 AVERAGE	
Althouse	4530	1/27	0	0.0	1.7	5.4	14
Annie Spring	6018	1/28	53	17.9	16.3	30.1	14
Beaver Dam Creek	5100	1/30	15	5.4	6.8	--	0
Big Red Mountain	6500	1/30	35	12.1	17.5	21.4	12
Billie Creek Divide	5300	1/30	26	9.2	10.3	17.6	12
Champion	4500	1/30	0	0.0	11.5	20.1	15
Cold Springs Camp	6100	1/31	54	16.2	12.4	--	0
Deadwood Junction	4600	1/30	T	T	6.4	--	0
Diamond-Crater Summit	5800	1/24	44	14.1	11.5	--	0
Diamond Lake	5315	1/24	22	8.5	10.1	18.3	15
Eden Valley Summit	2390	f					
Fish Lake	4865	1/30	5	2.0	7.8	10.6	14
Fourmile Lake	6000	1/30	36	15.0	11.4	24.4	7
Grayback Peak	6000	1/31	20	7.7	17.4	18.0	13
Hazel View	2500	1/27	0	0.0	0.0	--	2
Hobart Lake	5010	g					
Howard Prairie	4500	1/30	10	3.3	5.1	--	0
Hyatt Prairie Reservoir	4900	1/30	T	T	7.2	7.9	14
Little Red Mountain	6500	Survey	delayed				
North Umpqua	4215	1/27	10	3.6	6.8	12.5	8
Page Mountain	4045	1/27	0	0.0	1.3	--	3
Park Headquarters	6450	1/28	67	24.8	18.7	38.5	12
Red Butte #1	4560	1/30	0	0.0	10.5	--	0
Red Butte #2	4000	1/30	0	0.0	6.3	--	0
Rye Spring Sour	5000	1/30	T	T	8.6	--	0
Seven Lakes #1	6800	1/25	63	24.8	19.8	31.1	9
Seven Lakes #2	6200	1/25	51	17.2	14.3	25.3	10
Silver Burn	3720	1/30	6	2.2	8.8	10.9	15
Siskiyou Summit	4630	1/29	0	0.0	5.2	7.4	15
South Fork Canal	3500	1/30	0	0.0	3.2	3.8	15
Trap Creek	3800	1/26	6	2.4	6.0	11.9	5
Wagner Butte	6900	g					
Whaleback	5140	1/27	35	12.5	11.9	27.9	13
Windigo Pass	5800	1/19	52	19.5	13.8	35.6	7

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# WATER SUPPLY OUTLOOK KLAMATH WATERSHEDS OREGON

*as of*  
**FEBRUARY 1, 1961**

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE SOIL CONSERVATION SERVICE OREGON AGRICULTURAL EXPERIMENT STATION and OREGON STATE ENGINEER

## GENERAL OUTLOOK

The outlook for 1961 irrigation water supplies in Klamath Basin has not improved during the past month but has deteriorated to nearly the same unsatisfactory situation prevailing one year ago at this date.

## SNOW COVER

Water content of the mountain snowpack is only 56 percent of the average for February 1 (1943-57), the same as last year at this date. The big difference, however, is that low elevation snow is less and high elevation snow is greater than last year. The near average snowpack reported last month has dissolved in the warm dry weather of the past month.

Remaining storms will have to deposit double the present amount of snow if Klamath Basin is to have a normal water season.

## SOIL-MOISTURE

Moisture in the upper watershed soil mantle is satisfactory for a good runoff from the snowpack. Moisture penetration in the soils on the east side of the Klamath Basin varies from 12 to 18 inches.

## RESERVOIR STORAGE

Stored water in Upper Klamath Lake is 89 percent of average and considerably greater than last year. Water held in Gerber and Clear Lake Reservoirs is only 13 and 51 percent of the 1943-57 average. Inflow to these east side reservoirs is expected to be far below average.

## STREAMFLOW

Inflow into Upper Klamath Lake\* has been 83 percent of average since October 1st. Only 70 percent average in January.

Forecasts of streamflow for the April-September irrigation season for Williamson River and Sprague River are 66 and 49 percent of average, respectively. Total net inflow to Upper Klamath Lake is predicted to be 68 percent of the 15 year average (1943-57).

Inflow to Gerber and Clear Lake Reservoirs will be much lower and is predicted to be 40 and 30 percent of average.

The water outlook in Klamath Basin can be improved considerably if remaining storms produce heavy deposits of snow in the mountains.

\*Preliminary data from California-Oregon Power Company, Medford, Oregon

# WATER SUPPLY OUTLOOK

expressed as "Poor", "Fair"  
"Average" or "Excellent"

STREAM or AREA	FLOW PERIOD	
	SPRING SEASON	LATE SEASON
Ft. Klamath Valley	Average	Fair
Lost River (Clear Lake)	Fair	Fair
Lost River (Gerber)	Fair	Fair
Lost River (Willow Res.)	Fair	Poor
Sprague River	Fair	Poor
Upper Klamath Lake	Average	Fair
Williamson River	Average	Fair

# RESERVOIR STORAGE (1,000 Ac. Ft.)

RESERVOIR	USABLE CAPACITY	MEASURED (First of Month)		
		THIS YEAR	LAST YEAR	1943-57 AVERAGE
Clear Lake	440.2	106.7	161.2	208.8
Gerber	94.0	4.5	2.8	34.7
Upper Klamath Lake	584.0	308.5	248.6	348.5

# STREAMFLOW FORECASTS<sup>a</sup> (1,000 Ac. Ft.)

NO.	FORECAST POINT NAME	FORECAST THIS YEAR	FORECAST PERIOD	1943-57 AVERAGE	THIS YEAR AS PERCENT OF AVERAGE <sup>b</sup>
				AVERAGE	AS PERCENT OF AVERAGE <sup>b</sup>
923	Clear Lake Reservoir Inflow <sup>g</sup>	15	April-Sept.	50	30
		35	March-July	88	40
8215	Gerber Reservoir inflow <sup>g</sup>	10	April-Sept.	25	40
		20	March-July	44	45
5010	Sprague near Chiloquin	145	April-Sept.	296	49
		430	April-Sept.	632	68
5070	Upper Klamath Lake net Inflow <sup>g</sup>	340	April-July	518	66
		320	April-Sept.	486	66
5025	Williamson below Sprague River <sup>d</sup>	280	April-July	413	68

# SNOW

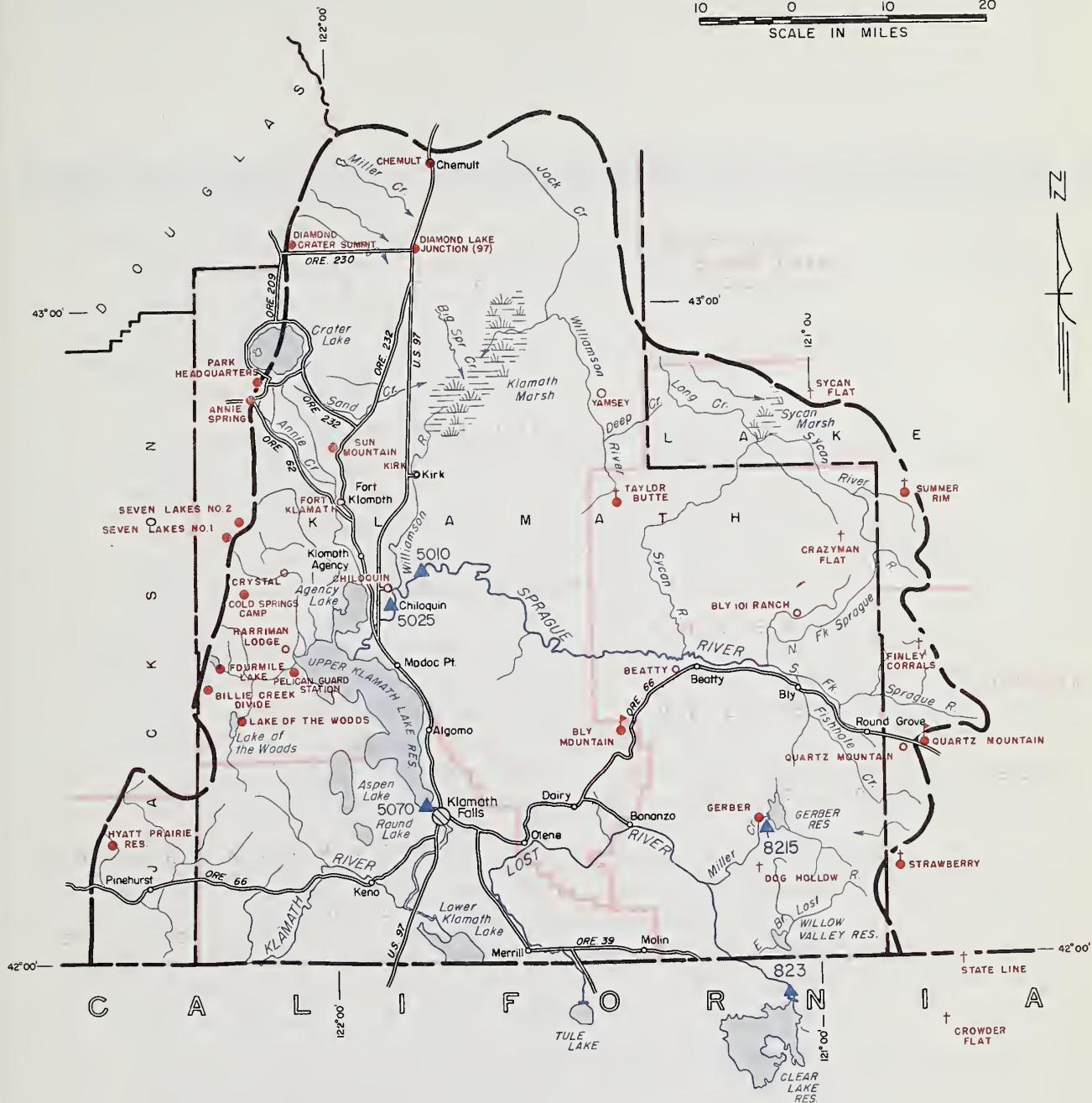
SNOW COURSE NAME	ELEVATION	CURRENT INFORMATION			PAST RECORD	
		DATE OF SURVEY	SNOW DEPTH (Inches)	WATER CONTENT (Inches)	WATER CONTENT (Inches) LAST YEAR	1943-57 AVERAGE
Annie Spring	6018	1/28	53	17.9	16.3	30.1
Beatty (COPCO)	4300	f				
Billie Creek Divide	5300	1/30	26	9.2	10.3	17.6
Bly Mountain	5090	1/27	12	3.6	4.1	--
Bly 101 Ranch (COPCO)	4800	f				0
Chemult	4760	1/27	14	4.9	4.8	10.0
Chiloquin (COPCO)	4187	1/31	0	0.0	0.6	2.3
Cold Springs Camp	6100	1/31	54	16.2	12.4	--
Crazyman Flat <sup>e</sup>	6100	1/24	12	4.7	4.6	--
Crowder Flat <sup>e</sup>	5200	1/23	0	0.0	2.8	3.1
Crystal (COPCO)	4200	f				9
Diamond-Crater Summit	5800	1/24	44	14.1	11.5	--
Diamond Lake Junction (97)	4600	1/24	8	2.9	3.5	--
Dog Hollow <sup>e</sup>	4900	1/23	0	0.0	1.2	--
Finley Corrals <sup>e</sup>	6000	1/24	24	9.4	7.6	--
Fort Klamath (COPCO)	4150	1/31	0	0.0	4.2	3.9
Gerber	4850	2/1	0	0.0	2.1	3.0
Harriman Lodge (COPCO) (Renamed Tomahawk Ski Bowl)	4200	f				8
Hyatt Prairie Reservoir	4900	1/30	T	T	7.2	7.9
Kirk (COPCO)	4533	f				14
Lake of the Woods	4960	1/25	15	5.9	3.5	9.6
Park Headquarters	6450	1/28	67	24.8	18.7	38.5
Pelican Guard Station	4150	1/30	T	T	2.6	--
Quartz Mountain	5320	1/27	7	2.8	4.9	5.8
Quartz Mountain (COPCO)	5504	1/27	7	2.4	5.0	5.8
Seven Lakes #1	6800	1/25	63	24.8	19.8	31.1
Seven Lakes #2	6200	1/25	51	17.2	14.3	25.3
State Line <sup>e</sup>	5750	1/23	9	3.1	4.8	--
Strawberry	5600	1/21	10	3.1	4.2	6.5
Summer Rim <sup>e</sup>	7200	1/25	27	10.5	5.5	--
Sun Mountain	5350	1/23	35	11.0	9.3	20.2
Sycan Flat <sup>e</sup>	5500	1/24	10	3.9	5.5	--
Taylor Butte	5100	1/23	7	2.5	2.4	4.6
Yamsey (COPCO)	4600	f				12

(a) Assuming normal meteorological conditions. (b) 1943-57, 15 year period. (c) Not scheduled. (d) Corrected to natural flow. (e) Aerial snow depth gage; water content estimated. (f) Report delayed. (g) From COPCO or USBR records of inflow. (h) Flashboards increase capacity to 513.0 (i) Water content partly estimated.

# KLAMATH WATERSHEDS

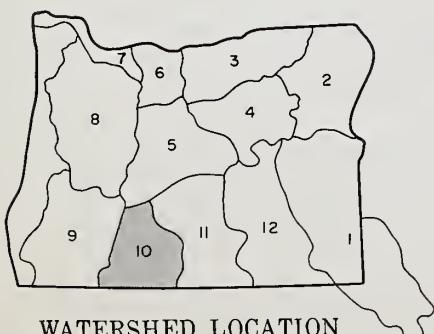
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- COPCO Snow Station
- ▼ Soil Moisture Station



WATERSHED LOCATION

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# WATER SUPPLY OUTLOOK

## LAKE COUNTY, GOOSE LAKE WATERSHEDS

### OREGON

*as of*  
FEBRUARY 1, 1961

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE SOIL CONSERVATION SERVICE, OREGON AGRICULTURAL EXPERIMENT STATION and OREGON STATE ENGINEER

**GENERAL OUTLOOK** - The 1961 irrigation water supply outlook has not improved during the last month for Lake County watersheds and is now only "fair" to "poor". Stored water supplies are only one-fifth normal and streamflow forecasts are extremely low.

**SNOW COVER** - Snow cover in this area is less than last year at this time and only 42 percent of average for February 1.

On an average year the snowpack has usually reached the 76 percent level of total water accumulation by February 1st. This year, current snow measurements indicate that only 44 percent of the usual total was on the watershed at the time of measurement. This is 6 percent less water than was measured last year on February 1 and it is not likely that future winter storms will be able to make up such a large deficit and produce a normal snow cover on Lake County watersheds.

**SOIL-MOISTURE** - Soil moisture on the upper watersheds has improved slightly during the last month. Warmer than normal temperatures caused some snow melt water to be absorbed by the soil mantle. This is true only on higher watersheds covered by snow however, since precipitation in lower non-snow covered valleys was only about half normal for the month of January. Warm temperatures may have caused some soil moisture loss from these lower, more exposed watersheds.

**RESERVOIR STORAGE** - Storage in Cottonwood and Drews Reservoirs is only 20 percent of the 1943-57 average for February 1. Drews Reservoir had 7,200 acre feet on February 1st, is not likely to fill again this year.

**STREAMFLOW** - Water supply forecasts covering the irrigation season for Lake County streams range from 38 percent for the inflow to Drews Reservoir to 63 percent of the 1943-57 average for Deep Creek.

Honey Creek is expected to flow about 10,000 acre feet for the April-June period and Twentymile Creek about 12,000 acre feet for this same period, both are in the low 60 percent class.

Drews Reservoir inflow is expected to be about 18,000 acre feet March through July. This flow added to the amount now in storage amounts to a little less than half the usable capacity of the reservoir.

Much above normal snowfall is needed during remaining winter months if Lake County is to have a near normal water supply this year.

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**WATER SUPPLY OUTLOOK** expressed as "Poor", "Fair"  
"Average" or "Excellent"

STREAM or AREA	FLOW PERIOD	
	SPRING SEASON	LATE SEASON
Chewaucan River	Fair	Fair
Crooked Creek	Fair	Poor
Deep Creek	Fair	Poor
Dry Creek	Fair	Poor
East Side Goose Lake	Fair	Poor
Guano Lake	Fair	Poor
Honey Creek	Fair	Poor
Lakeview Water Users Assn.	Fair	Poor
Rock Creek (Hart Mtn.)	Fair	Poor
Silver-Buck Creeks	Fair	Poor
Summer Lake	Fair	Fair
Thomas Creek	Fair	Poor
Twentymile Creek	Fair	Poor
Warner Lakes	Fair	Poor

**RESERVOIR STORAGE (1,000 Ac. Ft.)**

RESERVOIR	USABLE CAPACITY	MEASURED (First of Month)		
		THIS YEAR	LAST YEAR	1943-57 AVERAGE
Cottonwood Drew	4.1 63.0	0.5 7.2	0.2 8.9	0.3 37.5

**STREAMFLOW FORECASTS<sup>a</sup> (1,000 Ac. Ft.)**

NO.	NAME	FORECAST POINT		FORECAST THIS YEAR	FORECAST PERIOD	1943-57 AVERAGE	THIS YEAR AS PERCENT OF AVERAGE <sup>b</sup>
		NO.	NAME				
3840	Chewaucan near Paisley			c	April-June	82	
3715	Deep above Adel			45	April-June	71	63
3385	Drew Reservoir net Inflow			c	April-July	34	
				18	March-July	47	38
3785	Honey near Plush			10	April-June	16.3	61
3660	Twentymile near Adel			12	April-June	20	60

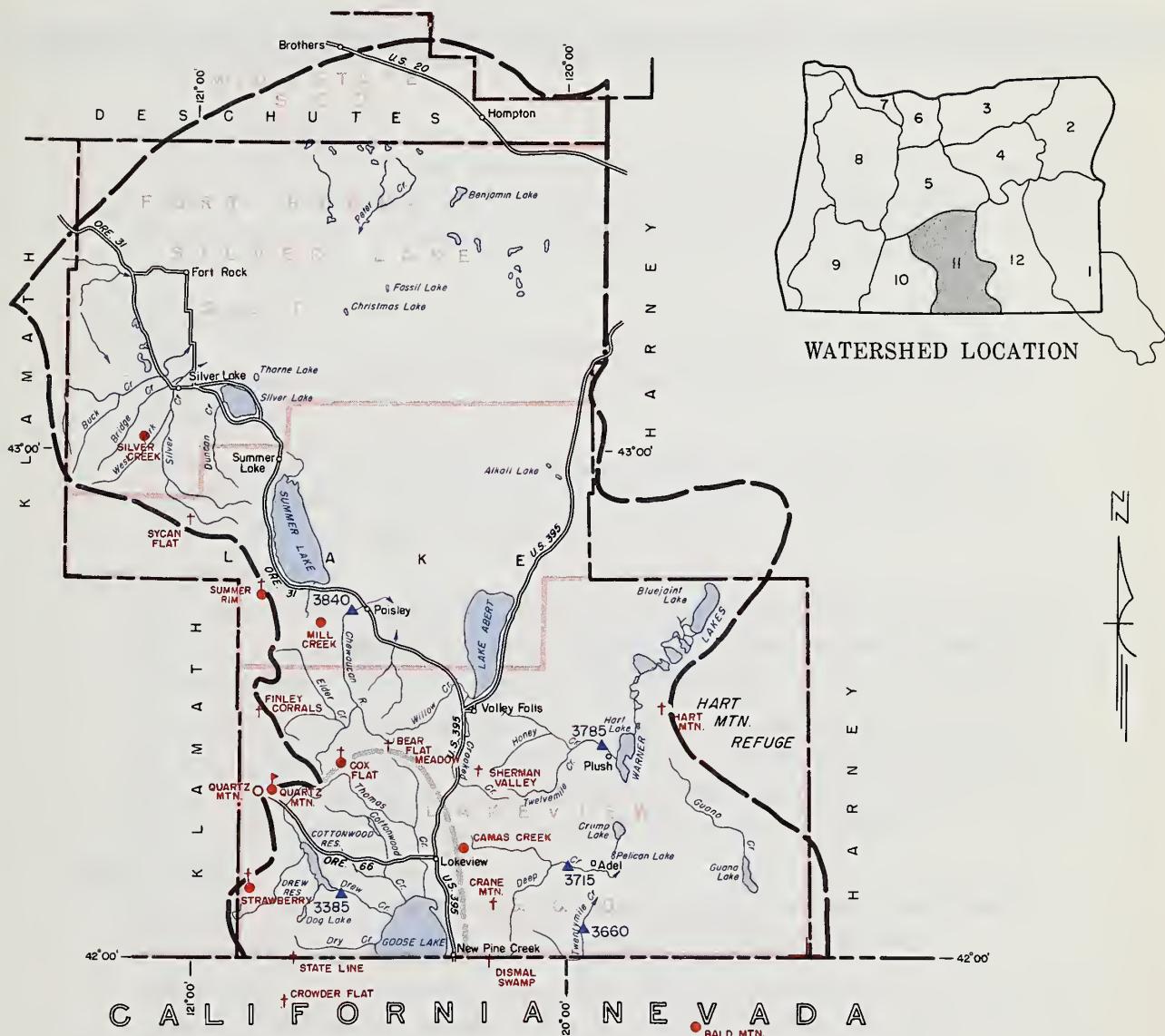
**SNOW**

SNOW COURSE	CURRENT INFORMATION			PAST RECORD		
	DATE OF SURVEY	SNOW DEPTH (inches)	WATER CONTENT (inches)	WATER CONTENT (inches)		YEARS IN AVERAGE <sup>b</sup>
NAME	ELEVATION		LAST YEAR	1943-57 AVERAGE		
Bald Mountain (Nev.)	6720	c				
Bear Flat Meadow <sup>e</sup>	5900	1/25	12	4.7	5.3	-- 0
Camas Creek	5720	1/29	14	4.4	5.0	8.5 15
Cox Flat <sup>e</sup>	5750	1/24	6	2.3	4.8	-- 0
Crane Mountain <sup>e</sup>	6020	1/23	6	1.9	5.3	-- 0
Crowder Flat <sup>e</sup>	5200	1/23	0	0.0	2.8	3.1 9
Dismal Swamp <sup>e</sup> (Calif.)	7000	1/23	26	8.1	5.5	-- 0
Finley Corrals <sup>e</sup>	6000	1/24	24	9.4	7.6	-- 0
Hart Mountain <sup>e</sup>	6350	1/23	T	T	0.4	-- 0
Mill Creek	6200	c				
Mosquito Lake <sup>e</sup> (Little Bally Mtn.)	6600	1/23	T	T	--	-- 0
Quartz Mountain (COPCO)	5504	1/27	7	2.4	5.0	5.8 13
Quartz Mountain	5320	1/27	7	2.8	4.9	5.8 15
Sherman Valley <sup>e</sup>	6600	1/23	21	6.5	7.6	-- 0
Silver Creek	4900	1/27	3	1.2	2.3	3.3 14
State Line <sup>e</sup>	5750	1/23	9	3.1	4.8	-- 0
Strawberry	5600	1/21	10	3.1	4.2	6.5 8
Summer Rim <sup>e</sup>	7200	1/25	27	10.5	5.5	-- 0
Sycan Flat <sup>e</sup>	5500	1/24	10	3.9	5.5	-- 0

(a) Assuming normal meteorological conditions. (b) 1943-57, 15 year period. (c) Not scheduled. (d) Corrected to natural flow. (e) Aerial snow depth gage; water content estimated. (f) Report delayed.

# LAKE COUNTY, GOOSE LAKE WATERSHEDS

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Lake County, Goose Lake Watersheds

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*"The Conservation of Water begins with the Snow Survey"*

# WATER SUPPLY OUTLOOK HARNEY BASIN WATERSHEDS OREGON

*as of*  
**FEBRUARY 1, 1961**

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE SOIL CONSERVATION SERVICE, OREGON AGRICULTURAL EXPERIMENT STATION and OREGON STATE ENGINEER

## GENERAL OUTLOOK

The 1961 irrigation water supply outlook for Harney Basin is worse than last month and is now only "fair" to "poor." Precipitation during January was far below normal, causing much below average snow cover over the watershed at this time.

## SNOW COVER

Snow cover on Harney Basin watersheds averages only two-thirds as much water content as at this time last year and is only 43 percent of the 1943-57 average.

Water content of the snowpack usually reaches 75 percent of the year's total by February 1st. This year only 30 percent of an average year's total has been measured by current snow surveys.

## SOIL-MOISTURE

Soil moisture in the Basin has improved at higher elevations under the snowpack. The lack of precipitation coupled with above normal temperatures has caused a slight loss of soil moisture in lower valleys not covered by snow.

Soil moisture in Harney Basin is now 58 percent capacity for the top 3 to 4 feet of soil with most of this moisture concentrated in the upper one to two feet. Due to an error in computation, soil moisture was reported as 71 percent in last month's report - the correct figure was 53 percent.

## STREAMFLOW

Streamflow during the spring and summer irrigation season is expected to be only "fair" in the early season to "poor" in the late season.

The forecast for the Silvies River, April through September, is only 37 percent of the 1943-57 average. This is a little less than last year at this time and reflects the lack of low elevation snow this year. Smaller streams heading in low elevation watersheds should have a "fair" early season but will peak and drop off much earlier than usual.

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# WATER SUPPLY OUTLOOK

expressed as "Poor", "Fair"  
"Average" or "Excellent"

STREAM or AREA	FLOW PERIOD	
	SPRING SEASON	LATE SEASON
Catlow Valley	Fair	Poor
Cow Creek	Fair	Poor
Donner und Blitzen River	Fair	Poor
Mill-Coffeepot Creeks	Fair	Poor
Rattlesnake Creek	Fair	Poor
Silver Creek	Fair	Poor
Silvies River	Fair	Poor
Soldier-Prather Creek	Fair	Poor
Trout Creek	Fair	Poor
Whitehorse Creek	Fair	Poor

# RESERVOIR STORAGE (1,000 Ac. Ft.)

RESERVOIR	USABLE CAPACITY	MEASURED (First of Month)		
		THIS YEAR	LAST YEAR	1943-57 AVERAGE

# STREAMFLOW FORECASTS<sup>a</sup> (1,000 Ac. Ft.)

FORECAST POINT		FORECAST THIS YEAR	FORECAST PERIOD	1943-57 AVERAGE	THIS YEAR AS PERCENT OF AVERAGE <sup>b</sup>
NO.	NAME				
3960	Donner und Blitzen near Frenchglen	c	April-Sept.	67	
3935	Silvies near Burns	40	April-Sept.	107	
4065	Trout near Denio	c	April-Sept.	9.2	37

# AVAILABLE SOIL MOISTURE

STATION	PROFILE (inches)			SOIL MOISTURE (inches)			
	DEPTH	AVAILABLE CAPACITY	DATE	THIS YEAR	LAST YEAR	2 YEARS AGO	
Blue Mountain Springs	5900	42	12.0	1-26-61	2.8	--	7.8 <sup>j</sup>
Fish Creek	7600	48	9.5	i			
Folly Farm	4450	36	8.3	12-15-60	5.5 <sup>h</sup>	5.3 <sup>h</sup>	4.6 <sup>h</sup>
Silvies	6900	48	10.3	i			
Snow Mountain	6300	48	10.4	i			
Starr Ridge	5150	36	6.1	1-27-61	3.6	5.1	--
Stinking Water	4800	48	11.7	12-15-60	11.0 <sup>h</sup>	10.6 <sup>h</sup>	11.1
Willow-Bald	5000	24	4.3	12-16-60	1.5	1.0	1.9

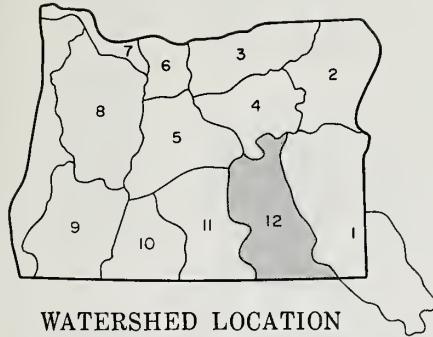
# SNOW

SNOW COURSE	CURRENT INFORMATION				PAST RECORD			
	NAME	ELEVATION	DATE OF SURVEY	SNOW DEPTH (Inches)	WATER CONTENT (Inches)	WATER CONTENT (Inches)		YEARS IN AVERAGE <sup>b</sup>
						LAST YEAR	1943-57 AVERAGE	
Blue Mountain Spring	5900	1/26	23	6.6	6.9	11.0		14
Call Meadows e	5340	Report	delayed					
Delintment Lake	5600	c						
Denio Creek e	6000	1/24	0	0.0	1.4	--		0
Disaster Peak	6500	1/25	24	7.3	--	--		0
Emigrant Butte	5000	c						
Fish Creek e	7900	1/25	30	8.4	8.3	--		0
Hart Mountain e	6350	1/23	T	T	0.4	--		0
Idlewild Camp	5200	1/27	10	1.9	3.3	4.5		15
Izee Summit	5293	1/27	13	3.4	3.9	6.7		14
Lake Creek	5120	1/27	16	3.2	6.7	--		2
Oregon Canyon e	6950	Report	delayed					
Riddle Creek e (Buck Pasture)	5700	Report	delayed					
Rock Spring	5100	1/27	8	1.2	3.7	4.7		15
Silvies e	6900	1/25	11	3.1	6.0	--		0
Snow Mountain	6300	c						
Starr Ridge	5150	1/27	8	2.2	3.6	4.9		14
Stinking Water	4800	1/27	T	T	3.7	3.5		14
Trout Creek e	7800	Report	delayed					
"V" Lake e	6600	1/24	12	3.4	2.3	--		0

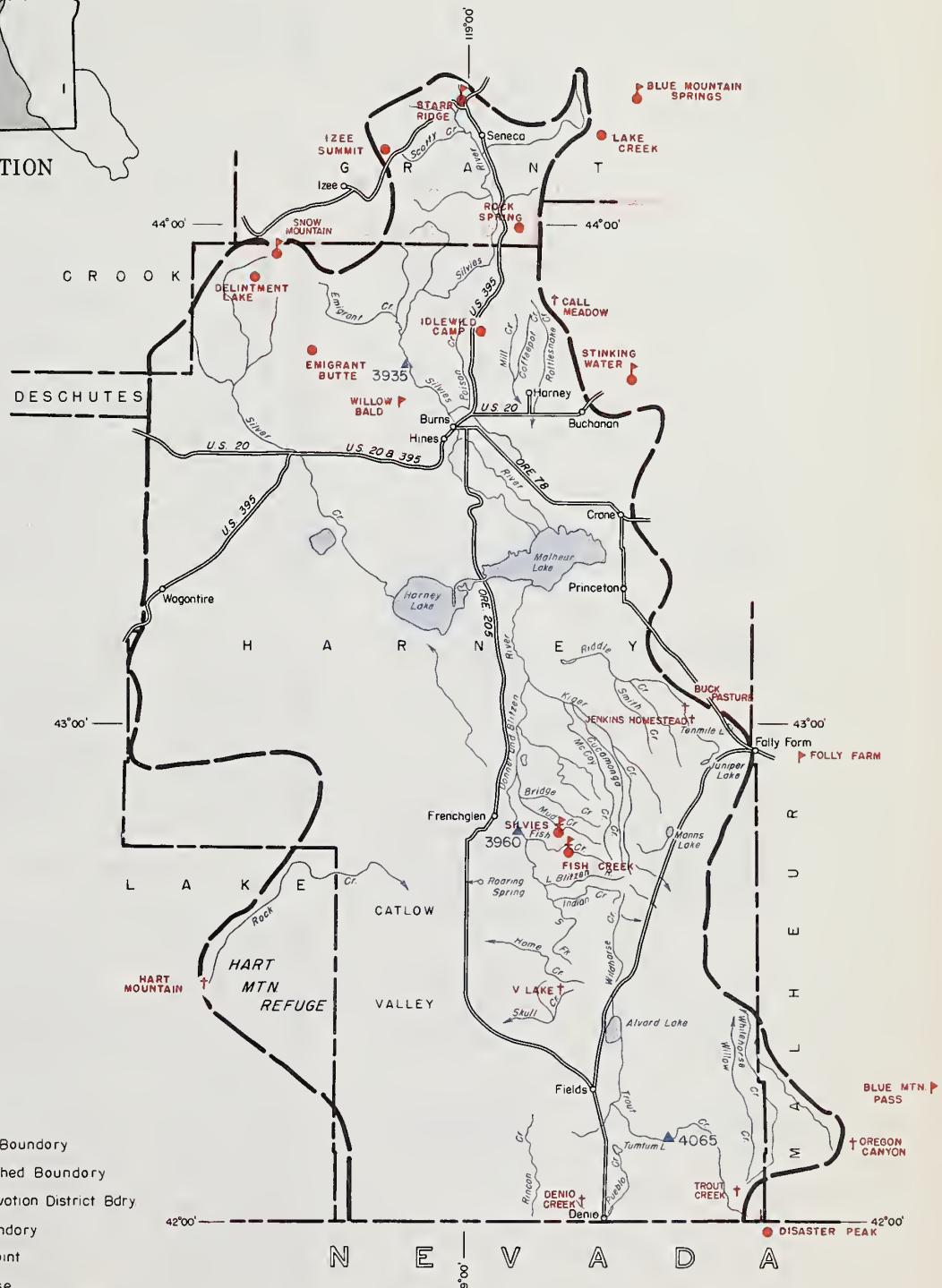
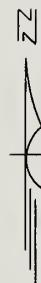
(a) Assuming normal meteorological conditions. (b) 1943-57, 15 year period. (c) Not scheduled. (d) Corrected to natural flow. (e) Aerial snow depth gage; water content estimated. (f) Report delayed. (g) Not surveyed. (h) Partly estimated. (i) No Fall measurement. (j) Nearest current data.

# HARNEY BASIN WATERSHEDS

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SCALE IN MILES



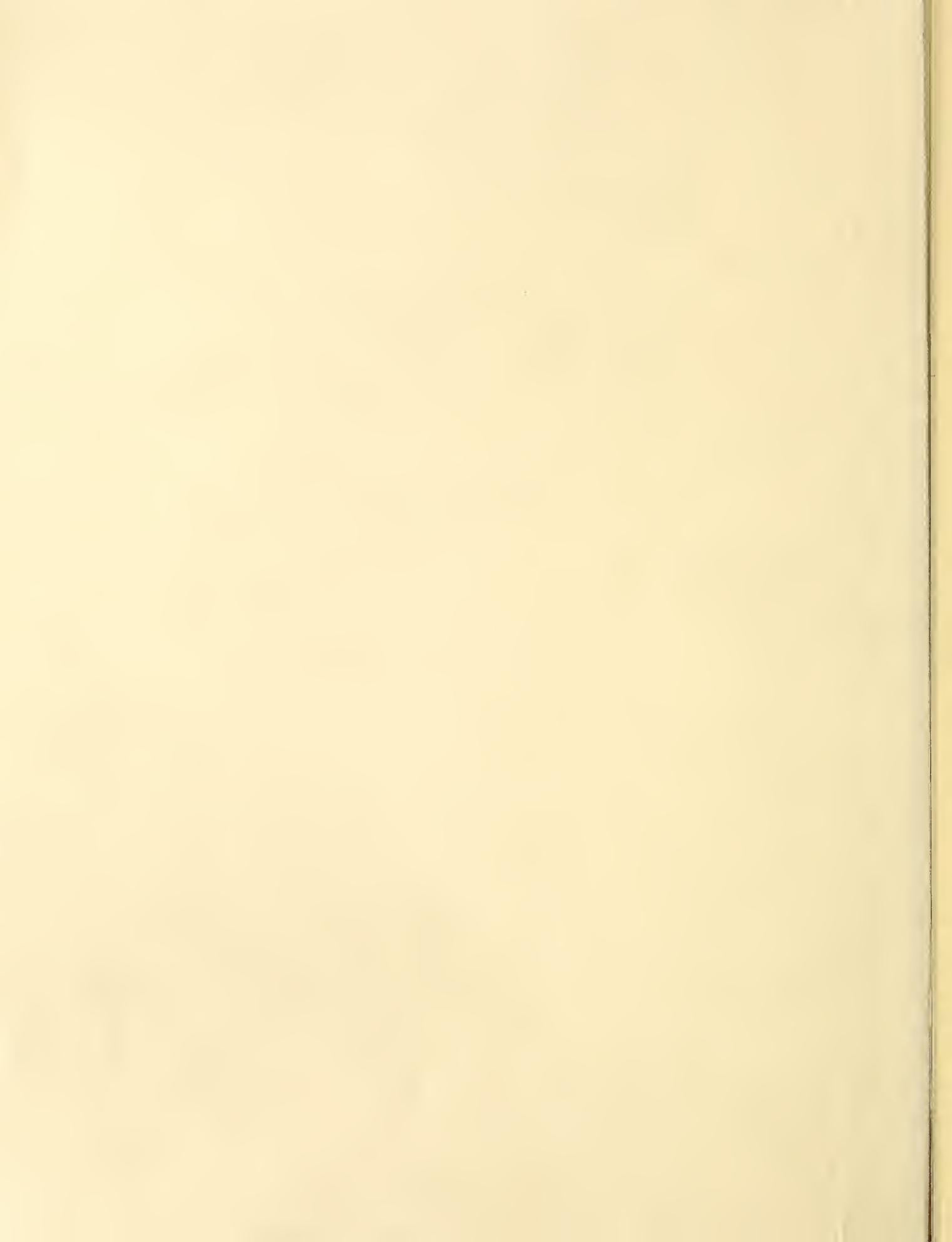
WATERSHED LOCATION



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Oregon State Engineer and Corps of State Watermasters  
Oregon State Highway Engineers  
Soil Conservation Districts of Oregon

## COUNTY

Douglas County Water Resources Survey

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Department of Agriculture  
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